



Jeannette Novelli

December 8, 1928 - June 20, 2026

Jeannette Novelli, 97, of Toms River, passed away peacefully on June 20, 2026, surrounded by the love of her family.

Born on December 8, 1928, in Manhattan, New York, Jeannette was the beloved daughter of Joseph and Beatrice Oliveri. She attended St. Theresa's Grammar School in Brooklyn, New York and later graduated from St. Peter's High School on Staten Island. Following high school, she continued her education at Hunter College.

After college, Jeannette began her professional career in banking before joining the City of New York as a telephone operator, where she worked diligently for many years. While raising her family, she also held various part-time jobs, always contributing to the loving and supportive home she created for those she cherished most.

Jeannette lived a life filled with music, joy, and devotion to her family. She had a deep appreciation for classical music and was an accomplished pianist and violinist. She loved to dance and met the love of her life, Joseph Novelli, at a dance at the Columbia Lyceum. The couple married in 1953 and shared 54 wonderful years of marriage before Joseph's passing in 2007.

An avid swimmer who loved spending time at the beach, Jeannette also

enjoyed traveling and taking cruises with her beloved husband. She had a special affection for animals and a well-known sweet tooth. A gifted baker, she was especially famous among family and friends for her delicious carrot cake, a treat that became one of her signature expressions of love.

Above all, Jeannette was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. Her kindness, warmth, and gentle spirit touched the lives of everyone who knew her.

Jeannette was predeceased by her beloved husband, Joseph Novelli, and her parents Joseph and Beatrice.

She is survived by her loving children, Marilyn Daleda and her husband, Kenneth; Lorraine Novelli; and Michael Novelli and his wife, Debbie. She is also survived by her treasured grandchildren, Maggie and Mikey, who brought her immense pride and joy.

Jeannette's legacy of love, dedication, and compassion will live on in the hearts of her family and all who were fortunate enough to know her. She will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered always.

A Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM on Thursday at St. Alphonsus Cemetery located at 54 E. Prospect Street Hopewell, New Jersey 08525.

The family will receive friends from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Wednesday, June 24, 2026, at Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals and Cremation Service, 3377 US Highway 9, Old Bridge, New Jersey.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.HegartyScaliaFuneralHome.com

Upcoming Events

Visitation

JUN **24**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals and Cremation Service
3377 US Highway 9
Old Bridge, NJ 08857

Service

JUN **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Alphonsus Cemetery
54 E. Prospect Street
Hopewell, NJ 08525