



## Michelle Micari

April 23, 1955 - August 12, 2024

Michelle Micari, 69 of Matawan, New Jersey passed away on Monday, August 12, 2024, at Bayshore Community Hospital in Holmdel.

Born Saturday, April 23, 1955 in Brooklyn, New York, Michelle was the daughter of the late Frank and Alicia Palagonia.

Michelle was raised in the Coney Island section of Brooklyn, and was a graduate of Fontbonne Hall Academy.

Michelle lived in Brooklyn for most of her life. At a young age Michelle met Robert Micari, and though they were friends, life would lead them in different directions. Michelle went on to work as a make up artist and fragrance supervisor with Clinique and Sears. She would have a daughter, Alexandria, and raise her in Brooklyn. Eventually Michelle and Robert would reunite and marry. They would continue to live in Brooklyn, until 2016 when they settled in Aberdeen.

Michelle had a life changing cancer diagnosis. She would continue to fight for years, and was a strong advocate for others that were battling cancer. Michelle was an active member of the MBC Thrivers support group.

Michelle was a great conversationalist, who always loved talking with people either in person or on the phone. She enjoyed shopping, and traveling, and enjoyed all the finer things life had to offer. Michelle was a loving and caring woman who will be deeply missed by all those that were blessed to have her in their lives.

Michelle was predeceased by her beloved husband Robert, by her loving parents Frank and Alicia Palagonia, and by her caring sister Donna Van Green.

Michelle is survived by her beloved daughter, Alexandria Maestrallis, and her husband Michael, by her cherished grandchildren, Olivia and Nico, by her caring sister Anita

Orbeta, and by her cancer sisters, Fontbonne Hall Academy sisters, and many friends.

The family will receive friends from 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Thursday, August 15, 2024, at Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home For Funerals and Cremation Service, 3377 US Highway 9, Old Bridge, New Jersey.

A Funeral Mass will be held at 10:00 AM on Friday at St Benedict Church located at 165 Bethany Rd Holmdel, New Jersey 07733. Interment will be in St. Joseph Cemetery, Keyport, NJ

For those unable to attend the visitation services a livestream will be held between the hours of 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm. You will be able to pay your respects at that time. That can be found on the obituary page.

The family asks that donations in Michelle's memory are made to the MBC Travelers. The link is provided below.

<https://www.mbctravelers.com/>

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.HegartyScaliaFuneralHome.com](http://www.HegartyScaliaFuneralHome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph Cemetery

56 Cedar Grove Rd  
Toms River, AK

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 15.** 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service  
3377 US Highway 9  
Old Bridge, NJ 08857  
(732) 679-4422  
hegartyfh@scaliahome.com  
<https://www.hegartyscaliafuneralhome.com>

## Service

**AUG 16.** 10:00 AM (ET)

St Benedict Church  
165 Bethany Rd  
Holmdel, NJ 07733

## Service

**AUG 16** (ET)

St. Joseph's Cemetery  
360 Broadway  
Keyport, NJ 07735

# Tribute Wall



“ *Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Michelle Micari*



**Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service** - August 14, 2024 at 04:50 PM

JT

“ *Jaclyn T. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Michelle Micari.*



**Jaclyn T.** - October 15, 2024 at 10:37 AM

DA

“ *Am so sorry to my sister Ali and the rest of the family i have no information about the death of mom. may her soul rest in eternal peace.*

**david** - August 18, 2024 at 08:26 AM

AD

“ *Michelle and I met when we were teenagers in Manila Philippines ..met her thru Father Feliciano Bunyi ..met her Mom Mrs Palagonia..we shared what teenagers would usually talk about then ..you werexa pretty teenager and we still continued to connect with each other thru Social media post of your beautiful Family and your undying support forthe strong hearted treatment of Breast Cancer .You left a Legacy to help others to stay strong in their efforts of fighting Breast Cancer and you gave them that strength 🙏🧘 You are healed and God has taken you in His arms 🙏🧘 You left wonderful memories for everyone to keep including me ..thru the years..God bless you and your Family 🙏🧘❤️🌸🌺*

**Alma Pura Panajon Dennis** - August 16, 2024 at 12:06 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michelle Micari.



August 15, 2024 at 01:01 PM

TJ

“ The Mullers - Laurie, Ken, Kenny and Jack planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michelle Micari.

The Mullers - Laurie, Ken, Kenny and Jack - August 15, 2024 at 01:01 PM

FF

“ Frank Esposito and family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Michelle Micari.



Frank Esposito and family - August 15, 2024 at 12:32 PM



“ 84 files added to the album Life Tributes



Michael Hegarty & John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals and Cremation Service - August 15, 2024 at 09:06 AM

TF

Dear Anita ,Alexandria & Mike & Olivia & Nico , I'm so sorry to hear of Michelle's passing , my very sincere condolences to you all . She was a brave warrior. 🙏🏻

Teri Ferraro - August 15, 2024 at 12:39 PM

CM

“ 😞 *Rest In Eternal Peace, Missy. You will be missed. Be kind to your web footed friends...  
Xo.*

Charla Moskowitz - August 15, 2024 at 08:47 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Michelle Micari.*



August 14, 2024 at 11:37 PM

JD

“ *Jenna, Kelly, Oskar, Sebastian & Dani planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michelle Micari.*

Jenna, Kelly, Oskar, Sebastian & Dani - August 14, 2024 at 11:37 PM

MP

“ *I "met" Michelle on the Pink Sister Facebook page. She was Vibrant and Full of Life. I always found strength in her posts and life happenings. Her positivity helped me to be stronger and not be afraid to voice my opinion. She helped make this journey easier for many.*



*Rest In Heaven with Robert, Michelle. Your Memory WILL Live forever!*

MAUREEN K PANSERA - August 14, 2024 at 10:31 PM

MT

“ *MBC TRAVELERS purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Michelle Micari.*



MBC TRAVELERS - August 14, 2024 at 09:54 PM

LL

“ Lorraine, Rudy & Jordan Lettieri purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Michelle Micari.



Lorraine, Rudy & Jordan Lettieri - August 14, 2024 at 05:38 PM

TF

“ The Ezeir family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Michelle Micari.



The Ezeir family - August 14, 2024 at 05:03 PM

TF

“ The Ezeir family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michelle Micari.

The Ezeir family - August 14, 2024 at 05:03 PM

DM

“ Dennis Maestrallis purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Michelle Micari.



Dennis Maestrallis - August 14, 2024 at 04:43 PM

KF

“ Hope there are eggplants where you are.

kaiulani facciani - August 14, 2024 at 12:57 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Michelle Micari.



August 13, 2024 at 10:55 PM

AH

“ Ali Hart planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michelle Micari.

Ali Hart - August 13, 2024 at 10:55 PM

DB

“ Donna Schoen Buckstein sent a virtual gift in memory of Michelle Micari



Donna Schoen Buckstein - August 13, 2024 at 09:14 PM

DB

“ Donna & Stephen Buckstein lit a candle in memory of Michelle Micari



Donna & Stephen Buckstein - August 13, 2024 at 09:12 PM

PB

“ Paulette B. purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Michelle Micari.



Paulette B. - August 13, 2024 at 08:58 PM

PB

“ Paulette B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Michelle Micari.

Paulette B. - August 13, 2024 at 08:58 PM

CF

“ Chimento & Romano Families purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Michelle Micari.



Chimento & Romano Families - August 13, 2024 at 07:08 PM

MS

“ Marilyn Shultz lit a candle in memory of Michelle Micari



Marilyn Shultz - August 13, 2024 at 07:00 PM

WM

“ I never had the pleasure of meeting Michelle in person. However having breast cancer myself, I talked to Michelle, and we shared stories. She wanted so much to kick cancer's ass, and boy did she try. She was a warrior, a fighter, caring, and had so much to live for. She tried every trial that was out there to keep her going. She fought for us, went to every convention, and as sick as she was, it didn't let it stop her. She was and will forever be a legend. Spread those pink angel wings my friend. You definitely deserve them. You are now pain free. We lost you, but heaven gained an angel. RIP my friend.

Wendy Migliaccio - August 13, 2024 at 06:21 PM

AG

“ I met Michelle when I was in NY for my mom's birthday in 2012. She was a beautiful person. Although over the years we didn't talk much she was always thought about. RIP

Ann Garofalo - August 13, 2024 at 06:08 PM