



## Rosalie M Bailey

April 26, 2020

Rosalie M. Bailey, 90, passed away on Sunday, April 26 after a fulfilling and active life. She was the beloved wife of William and loving mother of Mary Allan (Bill), Irene Maury, Kathy Kaplan (Mike), Bill Bailey (Siobhan), and Teri Dowling (Pat); proud grandmother of Beth, Billy, Caty, Allison, Luke, Frank, Laura, Matthew, Rosie, Kyle, Tara, Charlie, Katie, Paddy, Nick, Gianna, Claire and great-grandmother to Mary and Nelle, all of whom she treasured. Born in Jersey City to Mary and Vito Vuocolo, Rosalie was the youngest of 8 and was predeceased by brothers Joseph, Salvatore, Charles, Conrad, Alfred and sisters Anita and Irene. She is survived by sister-in-laws Rosemarie Vuocolo and Marie Vuocolo and her many adored nieces and nephews.

Rosalie moved to Paramus in 1959 where she was active in the community and Our Lady of the Visitation participating in the Rosary Society and church sponsored fund raisers and activities. A 1951 graduate of Holy Name Nursing School, she furthered her education and received her B.S. degree from New Jersey City University. Rosalie became the first R.N. at the newly-opened Bergen County Special Services School - later known as Norman Bleshman School - the first of its kind for its medically- based nursing in a public school for children with multiple disabilities. She was a trailblazer and strong advocate for children. Rosalie remained active throughout her life with a large network of family and friends, summer vacations in Lavallette, world travel and family celebrations. She was never idle and stayed busy with needlepoint, crocheting and cooking. She had a gift for making people feel valued and will be missed by the many lives she touched. Rosalie and Bill spent their last day together on their 68th wedding anniversary. They were known for their devotion to each other, their love of dancing to Swing music, pride in their close-knit family and strong values of faith, education, family and community. A celebration of Rosalie's life will be announced at a future date. Donations in memory of Rosalie may be made to: Special Olympics or to Paramus Friendly Neighbors, c/o Human Services, 1 Jockish Square, Paramus, NJ 07652.

# Cemetery

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## **George Washington Memorial Park**

234 Paramus Road

Paramus, NJ, 07652

# Comments

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“ My name is Joe Sepede. My first teaching job was at the Bleshman School. Rosalie was the nurse. I was the joker. I made Rosalie laugh often! She had a great laugh! I loved her like a big sister but never thought of her being anything but my age. She seemed ageless and so infinitely caring. When I saw her age I thought it was a mistake. I always thought we were the same age. I will always remember her !

Joe Sepede - May 08 at 09:50 AM

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“ To The Bailey family -Growing up in Jersey City leaves me with the fondest memories of my life. I spent many young days at my grandmother's home which was next door to Rosalie's. In the summers we would sit on the steps in back of the Capital Theater and talk about movie stars and the life we were looking forward to. Every week end we would look forward to spending time together when I visited my grandparents. Later, Rosalie went to school to train for nursing and I worked at Bergen Community College. We always kept in touch.Eventually, we became neighbors on Stella Court and spent many times together, and we were always there for each other. I will miss my best friend and hope to be with her again . Love Connie and Dom Casulli

Connie and Dom Casulli - May 04 at 11:10 AM

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“ Joe Coleman purchased the Truly Beloved Bouquet for the family of Rosalie M Bailey.



Joe Coleman - May 03 at 04:47 PM

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“ Rose was such a wonderful friend to us...We were so saddened to hear of her passing. May God comfort Bill and her loving family at this difficult time. We have many wonderful memories of laughter and good times...may these and your good memories never fade...

Love,  
Carrie and Doris Werner



“ My deepest condolences Bill for your tremendous loss. May God comfort you and your family during this difficult time, and may the Lord give you beauty for your ashes in the future after your grieving process.

Best, NGS



Nicholas G. Sekas - May 03 at 07:31 AM



“ rose was a wonderful friend we spent many fun hours together my condolences to her wonderful husband bill and wonderful family she will be very much missed from barbara erben

barbara j erben - May 04 at 09:58 AM



“ Love and prayers to the Dowling family! I love you so much!