



Fiorina Cefala

August 22, 2024

Fiorina (Mazzei) Cefala, 92, formerly of Johnston, passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on Thursday August 22, 2024. Born on March 20, 1932 in Lamezia Terme, CZ, Italy, she was the daughter of the late Francesco and Raffaella (Guerresi) Mazzei. She was the beloved wife of the late Biagio Cefala. He was the love of her life. They met in Italy when she was 14 and he was 16, they came to the United States in 1956 and were blessed with 60 years of marriage. They were truly soulmates. It didn't matter if they were traveling, square dancing, spending time with family and friends or just staying home as long they were spending their time together. She is survived by her loving children Lucia Buccieri and her husband Joseph of Clermont, FL, Florence Abilheira and her husband Anthony of Narragansett. She was the cherished grandmother of Maria (Kristin) and Julio (Kelly) Buccieri and Joseph and Isabella Abilheira. Beloved great grandmother of Gabriella Buccieri. Wonderful Aunt to many. She was the mother of the late Joseph Cefala and is predeceased by her siblings Fernando, Antonio, Vincenzo, Giovanna, Francesca, Caterina and Carmela.

Fiorina was a talented seamstress and could sew anything. She worked at Pawtucket Dress Company, then Drapery House before retiring. Since sitting was not a part of her DNA gnocchi lessons and having something to eat was mandatory when you stopped by. She was a great cook and baker. The house was always full of the aroma of freshly baked bread or her infamous biscotti. She was proud to share her recipes and beauty secrets to family and the

wonderful staff she met at the hospital and physical therapy.

Visitation will be held Wednesday August 28th from 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. in the Winfield & Sons Funeral Home, 571 West Greenville Road, Scituate followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. at St. Robert Bellarmine Church, 1804 Atwood Avenue, Johnston. Burial will be in St. Ann Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or www.stjude.org.

Cemetery Details

St. Ann Cemetery

73 Church Street
Cranston, RI 02920

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 28. 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM (ET)

Winfield & Sons Funeral Home and Crematory
571 West Greenville Road (Route 116)
Scituate, RI 02857
(401) 647-5421

Mass of Christian Burial

AUG 28. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Robert Bellarmine Church
1804 Atwood Ave
Johnston, RI 02919
(401) 232-5600

Tribute Wall

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“ To my cousins and to all of your families, I send my sincerest condolences for the loss of auntie Fior. I will always remember when we would all get together over Nona and Papa Paola's house on Dewey Street and how Auntie Fior's smile and laughter would light up the room. God's Peace and Love

Jimmy Paola - August 27, 2024 at 07:01 PM

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“ Flo, Tony & Family:

Our condolences to all of you on the passing of your Mom. Ed & I will always remember her as the perfect hostess along with Biagio welcoming us to her home for wonderful dinners. May all your beautiful memories of her keep her spirit alive. She is now with Joe & Biagio and at peace.

Always,
Ed & Linda Alessandrini
Fort Mill, So Carolina



linda alessandrini - August 26, 2024 at 12:53 PM

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“ My condolences to Florence's family. Florence was very good friends with my aunt Anna. I would always chat with Florence and her husband at family parties. They even came to my parties. She was part of the family. May God rest her soul. Now, she will be reunited with her family in heaven. ❤️



Pompea Imondi - August 25, 2024 at 07:59 PM