



## Louise DelVecchio

August 23, 2023

Louise DelVecchio, age 92, passed away on August 23, 2023, at Anchor Bay at Pocasset, Johnston RI.

Born April 22, 1931, in Providence, RI to parents Domenic and Antonia (Isoletta) Zarrella, she grew up in Johnston and graduated from North Providence High School and Rhode Island College of Education (Class of 1953). Louise spent her teaching career in the Johnston school system, primarily teaching first and second grade at Thornton Elementary. She met her beloved husband, Frank DelVecchio, through two of her young students, who introduced her to their handsome cousin. Louise retired from teaching in 1989.

Louise was a loving and supportive wife and mother, as well as a gifted teacher who touched the lives of countless students. She was preceded in death by the love of her life, Frank DelVecchio. She is survived by their three sons, Frank (Debra) of Portsmouth, RI; Steven (Francine) of Fairfax, VA; and David (Susan) of Cumberland, RI. She was devoted to her seven grandchildren, Alex, Devon, Cara, Ford, Angelina, Dominic, and Maxwell. Louise was the eldest of her siblings and leaves behind to mourn Anne McCarthy, Tim Zarrella (Ursula), Theodore Zarrella (Cheryl), Elena Loffler (Wilmer), Maria Diamante, and Domenic Zarrella, Jr. (Janice). She was predeceased by her brother John Zarrella (Marie), half-sister Violet Klier (Chester), and sister-in-law Florence (DelVecchio) Adams. Louise was

blessed with a large extended family and is survived by a host of nieces and nephews, relatives, and lifelong friends.

True to her generous and kind nature, Louise devoted herself to a number of volunteer activities in her later years at both her church and Anchor Bay. Louise was beloved by all who met her and will be greatly missed.

A Memorial Service will be held on September 26, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. at Woodridge Congregational United Church of Christ, 546 Budlong Road, Cranston, RI 02920. Burial will be in St. Ann Cemetery, Cranston.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in her name may be made to Woodridge Congregational Church - online donations may be made through the church's website through the "donate drop down" at <https://woodridgechurchri.org>

# Cemetery Details

## St. Ann Cemetery

73 Church Street  
Cranston, RI 02920

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

SEP **26**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Woodridge Congregational United Church of Christ  
546 Budlong Road  
Cranston, RI 02920

# Tribute Wall

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“*Mrs. DeVecchio was my son's first grade teacher at Thornton School. She was an amazing teacher who was always kind, gentle and intelligent. We will never forget the care she bestowed on her students.*

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**Chris Taylor** - September 16, 2023 at 04:10 PM

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“*I always remember seeing cousin Louise at family gatherings growing up. She was always the nicest and sweetest person I had ever met. I haven't seen her in a long time but, I still remember her as if it was yesterday. You will be deeply missed ! Give everyone in heaven a hug for me. Until we meet again. Love always Cousin Diane Alardi*

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**Diane Alardi** - September 11, 2023 at 10:58 AM

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“*I met Louise at Anchor Bay when visiting my aunt Virginia who lived there. They sat at the same table in the dining room and were very good friends. I knew when I saw her she was familiar. She taught my children at Thornton School.*

*She was such a kind person and always upbeat and smiling. After my aunt passed, I would call her every now and then to say hello.*

*My condolences to all the family. I'm sure she will be missed by many.*

*Eleanor Balassone*

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**Eleanor Balassone** - September 09, 2023 at 01:59 PM

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“ *One of the most WONDERFUL ladies. Always had a kind word/  
Louise, believe me WE WILL MISS YOU*

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**Mary C Plante** - September 07, 2023 at 05:51 PM