



# Rose D. (Laratonda) Messina

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## **Rose D. (Laratonda) Messina**

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**R**ose D. (Laratonda) Messina, 89 a resident of Andover, MA, formerly of Lawrence, MA and Atria Marland Place in Andover, MA, died on Saturday, January 22, 2011, at the Wingate at Andover. Mrs. Messina was born on February 9, 1921 in Lawrence, MA, to Michele and Antonetta (Miele) Laratonda. Educated in Lawrence local schools, graduated from Lawrence High School class of 1938. She worked for the Caritas Holy Family Hospital until her retirement. She was a member of St. Rita's Sodality at Holy Rosary Church in Lawrence. She was also a former member of the Italian Women's Club. She was presently an attendant of St. Michael Church in North Andover, MA. She was an avid card player, and enjoyed BINGO, embroidery, and crafts. She will always be remembered for her famous culinary delights. She was the wife of the late Louis F. Messina. She is survived by her daughter Annette and husband Vincent of North Andover; four granddaughters, Dr. Patti (Deminski) Richard and husband Brian of Haverhill; Caroline (Deminski) Keenan and husband Jay of Westport, CT; Joy and Hope Ardizzone of Brooklyn, NY, and five great grandchildren Alexa Rose & Ashley Richard, Conor, Callie and Carrick Keenan; sister-in-law Mary Laratonda, and brother-in-law Sam Tripoli both of Haverhill, as well as several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her daughter Marguerite ?Peggy? Deminski and sisters Lena Laratonda, Carmela Tripoli, Mary Bonenfant, Louise Peters and Daniel Laratonda. A funeral mass will be celebrated on Friday, January 28, 2011 at 12:00PM in St. Michael Church in North Andover, MA. A burial will follow in the Bellevue Cemetery in Lawrence, MA. Friends may call on Thursday, January 27, 2011 from 3:00PM to 7:00PM at the John Breen Memorial Funeral Home Inc. 35 Merrimack Street, North Andover, MA. For more information or to send an online condolence please go to: [www.breenfuneralhome.com](http://www.breenfuneralhome.com). In lieu of flowers, the family requests a donation made to the charity of one's choice on Rose's name.



## Tribute Wall

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CM

**Carol, Frank Mahoney** posted:

Frank and I are so sorry for your loss. Rose was truly God's special daughter. She will be missed by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

March 7 at 8:00 PM

RR

**Ruthann Richards** posted:

To Rose's Family, I will miss Rose so much as she truly was a sweet wonderful woman who always went out of her way when she met you. i can still hear her saying "what's up kid" when she would come into one of my activities and then always love talking about her family. She truly is an angel. my thoughts and prayers are with the family. RuthAnn Richards

March 7 at 8:00 PM

TZ

**Tom Zappala** posted:

The last one from the wonderful childhood that we had in the neighborhood. A wonderful woman who was loved by all.

March 7 at 8:00 PM

BB

**Beverly Burlington** posted:

Patti and Caroline, I remember your Grandmother when she used to visit your Mom at Dr. Bruno's office. I have so many warm memories of her. How we loved the goodies that she brought to us. I am so sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you. Beverly Burlington

March 7 at 8:00 PM

DC

**Dottie Crisa** posted:

Dear Annette and Family -- Rose will always hold a special place in my memory book. She and Lou would come to my mother's shop at the same time every week to have their hair done; we shared many good stories and laughs. My thoughts and prayers are with you all at this time. Love, Dottie Crisa

March 7 at 8:00 PM



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JP

**Julie Peters** posted:

Annette, Vinny, Hope, Joy & Family. I am so very sorry for the loss of Rose. She was truly an amazing woman. I loved all our conversations we had, but most of all I loved her smile and her kind words. She will always have a place in my heart. May she find peace and comfort being reunited with her husband, sisters, and family. May God give you all the strength to get through this time and know she will always be watching over you all. Love, Julie Peters

March 7 at 8:00 PM

MG

**Melanie Gogjian** posted:

Patti and family so very sorry for your loss. my thoughts and prayers are with you all during this most difficult time. I am here for you, always.

March 7 at 8:00 PM

AF

**Andrew Family** posted:

Our prayers are with you and your family. Kevin, Eugenia, Aspen and Kevin Andrew

March 7 at 8:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Rose D. (Laratonda) by  
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