



## Rosalie Miliziano

April 1, 1927 - April 13, 2020

Our dear Rosa Miliziano went to be with the Lord on April 13, 2020.

Rosalia Sodaro was born on April 1, 1927 in Rockford, Illinois, and moved to New York City as a young woman. She found great friendships in the Italian community there and always thought of New York as her home. She met George Miliziano at an Italian church in New York City, and they were married on November 3, 1956. George's career as an aeronautical engineer required them to move around quite a bit, and they lived in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Washington, Georgia and Italy. George and Rosa were parents to Laureen Skrivan and Nancy Brown, and grandparents to Alicia Gutierrez, Adam Skrivan and Aaron Skrivan. They had seven great-grandchildren as well.

Rosa was a wonderful cook and baker and always had a house full of guests. She was known for welcoming strangers into her home, especially on holidays, and she showed her love through good Italian food. Her family will remember her as a strong woman, despite her small stature.

Most of all, we will remember her for her strong faith in God. Even in the years leading up to her Alzheimer's diagnosis, Rosa attended church faithfully and read her Bible and prayed every morning. She posted Bible verses all over her house to help her memorize Scripture. She lived a life of faithful obedience to God and even when her memory failed, she still continued to pray on her knees before bed each night.

Rosa died peacefully at the Weatherly Inn in Tacoma, WA where she had resided for the last three years. She will be greatly missed by those who knew and loved her.

Share your memories of Rosalie and condolences to the family by visiting the tribute wall.

# Comments

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“ Thank you so much for making this available to all of us. It was a beautiful service, honoring Aunt Rosa and the God she loved and served so faithfully. Lots of memories came to mind as we watched the photos and listened to Alicia's comments. Uncle George and Aunt Rosa were very special to us, and it's a joy to think of them in heaven now with their Savior... waiting for us! My Mom was able to watch the service in New Jersey via our laptop and phone in MN. We pray for God's comfort, peace and joy to be yours in abundance as you (and all of us) rest in the blessed hope that's ours in Christ Jesus! We love you!  
Brian and Jo Anne Anderson

**Brian and Jo Anne Anderson** - April 25, 2020 at 03:47 PM

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“ Thank you all for the beautiful service celebrating the earthly life of Rosa; it was so fitting for such a gracious and lovely woman. We didn't get to know her well, but we remember her fondly at our Easter or Thanksgiving table, coming with Italian cookies, and rubber gloves! She \*loved\* to wash dishes, and powered through them. So, we can imagine throwing her family out-of-doors and powering through housecleaning! A force!  
May our God comfort you all, as only he can.  
With love, Jim and Paige Price

**Paige and Jim Price** - April 25, 2020 at 03:41 PM

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“ The best word I can use to describe Rosa is stalwart.

Rosa was a stalwart woman in her faith in Jesus Christ as her Savior. There was never a doubt whom she loved and depended on with each breath she took. Her discipline in praying and reading and studying Scripture was an example to us all.

Rosa was a stalwart woman in her hospitality. She was a delightful hostess, using her skills in the kitchen to treat and serve all who came into her house. Twice Steve traveled to Georgia on business and Rose spoiled hm with delightful food and fellowship with her and George. I remember her allowing me to help sometimes. She gave directions, so I knew exactly what she wanted. I was thankful that she allowed me to help and due to her directions, I was able to do it well. So many have been blessed by eating and fellowshipping in their home.

Rosa was a stalwart woman in “properness.” ( not a word, but “correctness” did not seem to be respectful enough) She knew her manners and everyone could sense that, so we had a respectful fear and strove to be on our guard to do and say only what was proper. We respected her and did not want to disappoint her.

Rosa was not a smiley woman, but through her eyes and words you knew she loved and cared about you.

We have been praying for your families and you grieve the loss of Rosa and rejoice in her being free from this world and worshiping God in heaven!

Love, Steve and Janet Jack

**Steve and Janet Jack** - April 25, 2020 at 02:38 PM

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“ Rosa's memorial service was a wonderful tribute to the life she lived. It was very special for us to hear how she influenced so may lives, created many wonderful memories and lived such an exemplary christian life.

We only knew her for a short time, but her big smile and impeccable appearance will always remain a memory for us. Thank you for inviting us to participate and we extend our deepest condolences to the family.

Gary and Linda Patterson

**GARY PATTERSON** - April 25, 2020 at 02:26 PM

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“ Memories of our lovely Aunt Roe will be etched in our hearts forever. She lived her faith with unconditional love and non judgment of others. Growing up, I have so many happy memories of her, Uncle George, Laureen & Nancy. Weeks at the Miliziano home during the summers; watching on TV the first man land on the Moon together; trips into NYC on the subway when they would visit us in Brooklyn; Christmas shows at Radio City; summers in Cape May; Laureen & Tim's wedding. So many Italian meals and laughs. As I got older, she was always interested in my work and family. She welcomed my husband Jeff into the family so warmly, and made sure she was at our wedding, and later, always asking about our three sons. Luckily, our boys got to meet her while she and Uncle George lived in Georgia. From our phone conversations, I was so happy to be able to keep up with her growing family as well. She was always so proud of her family. Thanks to my sister Susan's urging, we were able to see her and the Sodaro cousins, with my father, for the last time about 6 years ago. I regret not being in touch with her during her years at the home, but I know she would not think less of me. Of all the memories, the most important gift is the examples she set. My Dad, too, her brother, Louis, also would kneel in prayer every night before bed until his last days. I know that legacy came from their mother, Carmela, who I have memories of doing the same. Thanks to the Skrivan & Gutierrez families for a beautiful memorial service that you were able to share with us, so many miles away. This exemplifies that those spiritual traditions and beliefs live on. Be well, take care and with much love, Cousin Laurie

Laurie - April 25, 2020 at 02:22 PM

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“ It's with great sadness that we join you all, our dear friends, to say farewell to Rosa. She and George were a pillar in my early days of faith and in our marriage and transfer to Italy, always so interested and desirous to help and support in any way they could. And Rosa's matchless hospitality and warm enthusiasm was always waiting, whenever we came back to the States to visit. I'm truly looking forward to rejoining her and George one day, with joy, and we'll never cease to remember their heartfelt love, encouragement, and example of staid, sincere faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Much love to Laureen, Alicia, Adam and Aaron, and all the family,  
Gilda and Rosario Vizzini

Gilda Vizzini - April 25, 2020 at 02:14 PM

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“ Dear Lauren, Tim and family, That was a beautiful service honoring God and your sweet mother. Kind, gracious, dignified, loving eyes, and a warm smile, that is how I remember Rosa. Your family has always been a wonderful example of how to love, appreciate, and care for the oldest member of your family. May our loving, Heavenly Father be near each of you during this sacred time.

With my love,  
Kathy Hannula

**Kathy Hannula** - April 25, 2020 at 02:07 PM

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“ That was a beautiful service! I remember how kind she always was, and how she always cared about everyone and was so loving towards everyone. I am so happy she is with Grandpa and her Savior who she loved and adored so much. I love you all, and praying for you.

**Ben Gutierrez** - April 25, 2020 at 02:07 PM

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“ We are so thankful for the memories of Rosa and for her love for the Lord until the end. What a sweet and beautiful service. May the Lord bless you all during this time of mixed sadness and joy.

**Don and Debbie Mellott** - April 25, 2020 at 02:02 PM

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“ I loved hearing about Grandma Rosa and her love for others and mostly her love for God! What a woman of faith! Her pictures were so beautiful and I love how I can see her in Gaba, Alicia, and Lauren! My love to all the family, we are praying God brings comfort and joy into your lives as you remember this special woman who was a gift from God to you.

**Lois Cotta** - April 25, 2020 at 02:00 PM

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“ What a lovely service! It was so great to hear from Alicia and Nathaniel. And to learn more about Rosa and her relationships with family, friends and God. How wonderful that she's reunited with George now and also face to face with her Savior and Lord! We'll be praying for all the family and her friends.

**Patricia Purvis** - April 25, 2020 at 01:59 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss. I didn't know Rosa, but she sounds like a truly amazing lady.

**Linda Seiber** - April 25, 2020 at 01:54 PM

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“ My dearest friends, I loved your grandma and was proud to know her. She was always so kind to me and that was precious when I first joined this church. You continue to be in our prayers as you navigate this time of mourning. I pray that remembering her life will bring you much joy.

It was a beautiful service. Thank you for sharing it with us.

**Christina LeFebvre** - April 25, 2020 at 01:52 PM

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“ A beautiful service for a beautiful woman. Rest In Peace Aunt Roe.

**Karen Sodaro** - April 25, 2020 at 01:51 PM

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“ Thanking the Lord she is with Jesus now. May God comfort you. The Lee Family

**Diana Lee** - April 25, 2020 at 01:48 PM

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“ A beautiful service and beautiful words about Rosa and her Lord. God bless you all with comfort of her presence with Christ.

**Laurel McCoy** - April 25, 2020 at 01:47 PM

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“ May God give you His perfect peace knowing that Rosa is in the presence of the Lord.

Tammy Hanks

**Tamara Swinney Hanks** - April 25, 2020 at 01:26 PM

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“ Praying for you all and giving thanks for Rosa's life and faith this morning. Warmly in Christ, The Nicolettis

**Steven Nicoletti** - April 25, 2020 at 01:12 PM

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“ When we endure difficult moments like these, we take heart in Jesus' promise, “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.” May Christ's comfort find you today. Scott, Alisha & Allyson Bennett

**scott** - April 25, 2020 at 01:07 PM

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“ It was a blessing to know both George and Rosa. Always friendly and engaging people. Rosa brightened the spaces around her and added personality and zest to life!

**Jennifer Sullivan** - April 25, 2020 at 01:06 PM

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“ It was a joy to know Rosa and George. Rosa, in the life of the church, was a quiet and thoughtful woman of faith. They both shined humble Christian grace and kindness. I will always be grateful for their support of Covenant High School in its earliest days and their words of encouragement to me in the work.

**Richard Hannula** - April 25, 2020 at 12:58 PM

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“ Wishing you great comfort in knowing your mother and grandmother is whole and complete and full of joy in the presence of her saviour. Much love, Cynthia and Jerry Savage

**Cynthia Savage** - April 25, 2020 at 12:51 PM