



## Evelyn Pacione Constantine

November 10, 1924 - September 17, 2024

Evelyn Pacione Constantine, age 99, of Smock passed away peacefully on September 17, 2024 at Mt. Macrina Manor surrounded by her loving family. Born on November 10, 1924, she was the youngest child of Carlo Vincenzo and Maria Dionisi Pacione.

Evelyn, born "Evalina", grew up a first-generation American with seven siblings on her parents' farm, helping to run their family greenhouse business. It was the beginning of her lifelong appreciation for the land that bears our food and the hands of those who plant it. It was thanks to this greenhouse that she met her husband, Robert N. Constantine. They were married for 63 years before his death in 2008.

In addition to her parents and husband, Evelyn was preceded in death by her only son, Richard Constantine; and siblings Arcola Pacione, Raymond Pacione, Louigina Ginestre, Nicoletta Maimone, Orienta Marinacci, Lina Pollastrone, and Ida Wells.

Surviving are her daughters Doreen Constantine of Pittsburgh, Donna (Gib) Grote of Smock, and Maria (Matt) Vecchione of Glen Ridge, NJ; daughter-in-law Marcia Constantine of Uniontown; grandchildren Jill Chisnell, Richard (Trisha) Constantine, Alex (Natalie) Grote, Devan (Doug) White, Nicholas and Alec Vecchione; great-grandchildren Tripp and Lucas White and Gunner,

Josie, and Bo Grote; and many nieces and nephews that were near and dear to her heart.

Evelyn's love of farming continued throughout her life as she assisted in the operations of the family business, Constantine Farms, and later spent decades raising and selling produce and pumpkins alongside her husband Bob in their beloved big white barn. Referred to once as a "professional volunteer," she loved her time spent as a 4-H leader teaching kids to sew, cook, and craft, as a St. Vincent DePaul volunteer helping those in need, as an advisory board member for Penn State Extension, and as a Christian Mother and devoted parishioner of the former St. Hedwig's R.C. Church in Smock. Rarely did she miss a Sunday mass, a Fayette County Fair, or a PA Farm Show.

From her farmhouse as a child to her farmhouse as a great-grandmother, the sounds of the Tarantella and the smell of fried peppers filled the halls. Undoubtedly, some of her favorite memories in both homes took place every Sunday afternoon around the dining room table surrounded by her family and a plethora of home cooked foods. If you listen closely today, you can hear the cackling from her Sunday table in heaven that is filled with loved ones she has waited so long to see again.

The family would like to extend our sincere gratitude to the amazing caregivers and staff at Mt. Macrina Manor and Amedisys Hospice.

Family and friends will be received at the DeGusipe Funeral Home and Crematory, 65 N. Gallatin Ave., Uniontown, PA, Stacey A. Dolfi, FD, on Wednesday, September 25, 2024 from 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM and on Thursday, September 26, 2024 from 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM at which time a prayer service will be held in the funeral home followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 3332 Pittsburgh Rd Perryopolis,

PA 15473 with Father Efren Ambre officiating. Interment will follow in Sylvan Heights Cemetery. A vigil service will be held in the funeral home on Wednesday at 3:00 PM.

In lieu of flowers, buy produce and pumpkins from your local farm this harvest and share them with your neighbors and those you love. Donations in Evelyn's honor may also be made to Mt. Macrina Manor–Resident Activity Fund, 520 West Main Street, Uniontown, PA 15401.

# Previous Events

## Public Gathering

SEP 25. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory Uniontown & Pittsburgh Chapel  
65 N Gallatin Avenue  
Uniontown, PA 15401  
(724) 434-2273

## Vigil Service

SEP 25. 3:00 PM (ET)

DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory Uniontown & Pittsburgh Chapel  
65 N Gallatin Avenue  
Uniontown, PA 15401  
(724) 434-2273

## Prayer Service

SEP 26. 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM (ET)

DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory Uniontown & Pittsburgh Chapel  
65 N Gallatin Avenue  
Uniontown, PA 15401  
(724) 434-2273

## Funeral Mass

SEP 26. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church  
3332 Pittsburgh Road  
Perryopolis, PA 15473

## Burial to follow Mass

SEP **26** (ET)

Sylvan Heights Cemetery  
603 N. Gallatin Avenue  
Uniontown, PA 15401

# Tribute Wall

RB

“ Evelyn was a terrific lady. I was lucky to get to know her as she was a friend to my mom. Her smile is unforgettable. My God bless her in heaven.

Rebecca Babilya - September 23, 2024 at 11:01 PM

RS

“ When I was at St. Vincent De Paul, Evelyn volunteered there. She always brought happiness to all she met.

Roy Sarver - September 23, 2024 at 06:42 PM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Evelyn Pacione Constantine.



September 23, 2024 at 01:19 PM

DO

“ Dave and Amy (Bozick) Olson purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Evelyn Pacione Constantine.



Dave and Amy (Bozick) Olson - September 19, 2024 at 07:10 PM

DI

“ *Dirkeo purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Evelyn Pacione Constantine.*



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**Dirkeo** - September 19, 2024 at 10:03 AM

CM

“ *Evelyn was a special person. When Doreen and I would have a Barbie play date at her house she always sewed a new outfit for my Barbie doll as well as for Doreen's. She was a lifelong friend of my mother's. It meant so much to me when she and Doreen came to my mother's funeral. I still have the angel from the coral flower arrangement.*

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**Cookie Olsavicky Moszkowicz** - September 18, 2024 at 05:41 PM

SL

*Evelyn was a leader. Even when she was about 95 years old and living in the Marquis Gardens Assisted Living home in Uniontown, she organized many activities for seniors and was an inspiration and role model to most of the senior citizens there, including my mother. If it were not for Evelyn's leadership and thoughtfulness, my mother would not have felt as welcomed, safe, and loved when she, at age 94, could no longer live independently. Evelyn was a godsend and we are eternally grateful for her love and leadership in her final years. —Stan Lechner*

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**Stan Lechner** - October 15, 2024 at 10:02 PM