



Yolanda Anna Salanitri

March 5, 1932 - December 9, 2016

Yolanda "Donna" Salanitri, 84 years young, went to be with the Lord on Friday, December 9, 2016. Donna was born the fourth of five children to Andrew and Felomina D'Orta on March 5, 1932. She is the sister of John, Frank, and Andrew D'Orta and Nancy Ferrante.

Donna was happily married for 36 wonderful years to the love of her life, Joseph, and together they raised four daughters. Donna enjoyed life to its fullest. She loved spending time with her family and friends. Cooking and baking for her family was her biggest delight. She would share her delicious recipes with everyone. She loved to read interesting books and enjoyed going to thrift shops. Attending her church services and practicing her faith was of the utmost importance to her. She has many church friends that will always be dear to her. She was an excellent seamstress and when her four daughters were children Donna enjoyed sewing outfits for them including Easter dresses with matching coats and hats. She also enjoyed quilting in her retirement years and made each of her four grandchildren handmade quilts for their high school graduation gifts. Donna was loved by all who knew her and will be dearly missed. A hole will be forever in our hearts where she belongs.

Donna was preceded in death by her dear husband, Joseph, and oldest daughter Suzanne Marie Gordon (Randy). Left to grieve her loss are daughters Debra Meyn, Andrea Simpkins (Ronald) and Stephanie Bologna

(John), four grandchildren, James Meyn (Gina), Heather McGlown (Kevin), Joseph Bologna (Heather) and Nicole Bologna and four great-grandchildren Jacob and Jace Meyn and Scarlett Anne and Caleb McGlown. Many loving nieces and nephews including her niece and best friend in life Rose Marie Gambino.

As Donna loved the color red, a celebration of life "for the lady in red" will be held on Wednesday, December 14, from 4-7 at the DeGusipe Funeral Home, located at 9001 N. Orlando Avenue, Maitland Florida, 32751, phone (407) 695-2273. All who attend are welcomed to wear an article of red clothing in remembrance of this wonderful women. The Rosary Prayer and dedication to the Blessed Mother will be presided over by family friend Nick Fieson at 6:30-7:00 pm to close the visitation service.

A Mass of Christian burial will be held on Thursday, December 15 at 10:30 am at the St. Augustine Catholic Church, located at 375 N. Sunset Drive, Casselberry, FL 32707. Interment will immediately follow at the Longwood Memorial Gardens Cemetery, located at 929 North Grant Street, Longwood, FL 32750.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **14.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory Maitland Chapel
9001 N. Orlando Ave
Maitland, FL 32751
(407) 695-2273
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<https://www.degusipefuneralhome.com>

Funeral Mass

DEC **15.** 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Augustine Church
375 Sunset Drive N.
Casselberry, FL 32707

Graveside Service

DEC **15.** 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Longwood Memorial Garden
929 N. Grant Street
Longwood, FL

Tribute Wall

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Nick Feison - December 14, 2016 at 02:30 PM

NF

You will very dearly missed, Yolanda. Until we meet again...may the peace of the Lord be with you forever.

Nick Feison - December 14, 2016 at 02:37 PM

JJ

Dearest Donna, you are now reunited with your dear husband and your daughter Suzanne and others, I am certain they were there to open the gates of heaven when you arrived...you are a beautiful person inside and out and I hope to see you on the other side one day with our daughter Suzanne too...God blessed you with a beautiful family and may HE give them the comfort and peace they need..until than God Bless. Love, Janis & Gabe Iacino

Janis & Gabe Iacino - December 17, 2016 at 11:42 AM

BM

“ *I know when someone passes everyone always says that they were the most wonderful person on earth. Well, I have known you since Suzanne and I were best friends in Junior High. There was never a time that I ever saw you without that beautiful loving smile. When I was at your home, you would always be in the kitchen making some delicious recipe for the girls and adoring husband. My heart breaks that you are no longer with us. You were truly loved and will be missed by many. RIP.*

Barbara Mintz - December 14, 2016 at 10:49 AM

SP

“ *Sandy & Nancy McKinnon and Randy & Shannon Parsons purchased the Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses for the family of Yolanda Anna Salanitri.*



Sandy & Nancy McKinnon and Randy & Shannon Parsons -
December 14, 2016 at 10:18 AM

ML

“ *There are no words...such an amazing lady who has touched the lives of everyone she ever met. It is so comforting to see all the beautiful memories of my great aunt and great aunt she was. I will always remember the many fun times we had especially at the "chinese all you can eat restaurant" with our families. I smile every time it think of all the wonderful times our families spent together just sitting around her kitchen table. We love you so much. Rest in peace with the angels our dear aunt <3*

Maria Gambino Lizzo - December 14, 2016 at 10:11 AM