



## Antoinette Marie Carrafa

May 16, 2023

### “This Really Hurts”

Marie, Ann Marie, Mom, Mommy, Nonnie, Sister, Daughter, Wife, Aunt, Friend are some of names that Antoinette Marie Carrafa accumulated before she passed peacefully on May 16, 2023 surrounded by her family.

Marie was born May 20, 1952 to her parents in Chester, PA. Marie’s life was shared with many in the stories that she told. She built a home and life in Pennsville, NJ in 1970. She was married and had two children that she adored. Her Father Thomas L. Carrafa and Son Kenneth C. Brown II predeceased Marie. She is survived by her Daughter, Jennifer Rambo-Griffith, Son-in-Law, Bill Griffith, Daughter-in-Law, Kimberly Brown, Grandson, Michael Brown (her Baby Boy) and the love of her life, Tim Hatch. Marie was the youngest of four, her brother Thomas Carrafa & spouse Barbara, her sister Judy Morris and brother Ronald Carrafa will miss her as she loved them with all of her heart. There were so many friends, nurses, and caregivers that Marie considered family, especially her “Shnookums” whom she adored, they will all feel this loss.

Nobody was a stranger to Marie. She made everyone feel comfortable and made others feel as if she knew them forever. She gave the best advice to anyone that asked and could always lift you up when you were down. Her life experiences were many and she loved to share them. She always had a smile and was happy to see you any time day or night. Her smile will be greatly missed. She had an extreme love for all animals, especially her dogs, they

brought her so much joy and happiness.

Marie wasn't interested in a list of lifetime achievements to be listed when she was gone, she had a list of Love that is never ending; she truly was the greatest Mommy, Nonnie, Daughter, Friend, Sister, and Confidant that anybody could have ever wanted. She kept your secrets, gave advice, loved to laugh and made everyone she came in contact with feel lucky to have met her.

Marie loved her entire family to the fullest. Her grandson brought her so much joy and it was so heartwarming to see their bond. She and her daughter were so much more, they were best friends and shared an extremely close bond that is special to have. Marie was anxious to be reunited with her dad and her son someday, she missed them desperately. It's her time to share her smile and happiness with others that have missed her as much as we loved having her here with us. Marie will be so greatly missed by everyone that knew her. She made a lasting impression to so many and our lives on this earth will never be the same without her.

In honor of Marie's wishes, private services will be held.

# Cemetery Details

**Private Interment**

# Tribute Wall

KA

“ *I miss our talks on the phone.*



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**Kathleen** - August 14, 2023 at 03:24 PM

TM

“ *Marie was my Big Sister at Heart. A living , caring, honest soul. We would talk for hours and hours about everything under the sun. There was nothing I couldn't tell her. She saw me through some rough times. She has been a lost soul without her son Kenny, but, her love for Her Grandson Michael Kept her glued together. I will miss you my dear friend. We can still have our talks, I know where you are. And I hope your smiling down on us all. Love you to heaven and beyond. Tomi Lynn Moody*

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**Tomi Moody** - August 01, 2023 at 06:21 AM

MS

“ I only met Marie once as she was my mother-in-law Carmela’s good friend. Marie and her beloved son came to my brother-in-laws funeral all the way in O.C. Maryland. Her being there meant so much to both Dave and Carmela and made the day a bit more bearable. She made a lasting impression on me as just the sweetest person that genuinely cared to meet you and laugh with you. My mother-in-law loved Marie, she would talk about how whenever they spoke on the phone Marie would just make her giggle and laugh. I know those conversations brought Carmel a lot of joy. May Marie live on in the many lives she touched over the years. My sincerest condolences to all who loved her and will continue to love her.

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**Melissa Straccione** - June 01, 2023 at 08:19 AM

LB

“ I have been close friends with Jennifer since I was in High School. Shortly after I graduated, I had some unfortunate events that left me with nowhere to live. Marie didn't even have to think about letting me stay with them. They all treated me like I was part of the family. Including Kenny and Pop Pop( which he insisted I call him.) Not too long after moving in, I got into a pretty serious car accident. When I came home from the hospital, I can't even tell you how they all cared for me. Marie, being a home health aid, even bathed me because I was too weak. She also wheeled her beloved TV into my room so I could have something to watch as I recuperated. I will never ever forget what this family did for me. Marie and I would sometimes spend all day talking and laughing. She had so many wise things to say to me that I will always remember. We both loved true TV crime movies and would get all kinds of snacks and get comfy in her huge bed to watch them lol. I went to through some of my old Facebook posts to see some of the responses she gave. I found one that made me get pretty choked up. She wrote to me how special I was and how she was glad to know me. I wish I would have told her that if I'm special, she hard a big part in making me that way. You will always be in my heart Marie, and I will always love you ❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️

Liz Bosset - May 31, 2023 at 03:18 PM

LG

“ My condolences to the family I'm so sorry for your loss Marie was always such a sweet person may she sip and finally reunite with her son that i know she loved dearly heaven sure did gain another angel! RIP



Lisa Greene - May 30, 2023 at 05:25 AM

PM

“ I will always remember what a special friendship Marie and I had since childhood. Us Chester girls stuck together thick or thin. Marie walked to my house everyday or we both would walk and meet halfway and go to the park for the day. We had the best time together as kids and through the years, and shared many secrets. Marie had such a loving, kind, trustworthy, sweet, funny, silly, forgiving heart, and never spoke bad of anyone. Marie always found the good and the best in people, she was one of a kind. Always had a smile for everyone. I will miss talking with her for hours day or night. I will miss reminiscing our childhood and laughing until our sides hurt. Memories of Marie for me are like large old home movie reels in my mind that will go on forever. Marie was a true best friend and our time here spent, I will cherish along with so so many beautiful and funny memories.  
Love you my friend. 💔

Phyllis May' Masten - May 29, 2023 at 02:33 PM

GI

Jen my heart goes out to you. I pray God gives you the peace and comfort you need at this time. Sending 🙏🙏🙏 and Love to you ❤️

Ginny - May 30, 2023 at 12:39 AM

KT

“ Kathleen Tinley lit a candle in memory of Antoinette Carrafa



Kathleen Tinley - May 28, 2023 at 11:42 AM

KT

“ Marie and I had some fun talks on the phone. She told me she was very good friends with my cousin Tommy Mastens wife. I miss our phone talks. She was a special lady! Sending my sincere thoughts and prayers to the family.

Kathleen Tinley - May 28, 2023 at 11:41 AM

KK

“ I'll will always remember Marie having a smile on her face. She would put a smile on my face with her funny stories she would have. She was one of a kind such a positive person. Marie will definitely be missed.



Kim Krivda - May 28, 2023 at 09:40 AM

SG

Marie has always been a great friend and lifelong friend. We had soooo many great memories together when we were younger. I am sad that you had to go but God has a reason why. If souls are alive because they are remembered then you are never to be forgotten. Love you to pieces my dear friend. God speed and prayers for Jennifer and your grandchildren and family.

Sheila Gluck - May 28, 2023 at 04:10 PM

MH

“ Marie was a kind person. She was friends with my father and would always message and ask how he was. She kept in contact until my father passed. We even became fb friends. I don't think Marie knew a stranger. Just friendly to everyone.

michele froggatt hedgecough - May 28, 2023 at 06:38 AM

MS

“ Marie and k we each other from Chester High School where we graduated 1970. She also was friends with my cousins in Pennsville, Brenda Galloway and others. Marie was always a beautiful girl. She also was very funny. Rest i Peace

Marianne Oliver Schwalbe - May 27, 2023 at 04:06 PM

BE

“ Jen, I just found out about your lovely mom. Marie, was so much fun and always gave me good advice during our growing years. I will never forget the time I said “I need some excitement”, and we all took the ride down to Ft Mott rd. Lol 🤔. After that fiasco, she turned to me and said, “ Well Beth, you said you wanted excitement. I’m certain she is having a good ol’ time up there with Kenny.

Beth - May 27, 2023 at 03:43 PM



“ She was a cherished neighbor and will be missed

Kathy Smalley - May 27, 2023 at 12:49 PM

SJ

“ We were neighbors for many years and raised our kids here. Kenny was always a familiar face in our yard. She was light hearted and fun. Easy going and always ready for a chat. When we lost Kristy and Arde, she was ready with kind condolences and support. So sorry that she had so many health problems in her last years. My condolences to Jennifer and all the rest of her family. I'm betting she already has Kenny in her arms! So sorry...

Sue Johnson - May 27, 2023 at 11:55 AM

HM

“ Marie was a woman with heart of gold. She would help with anything she could. One time she helped me with a kitten that a neighbor was not taking care of. She said I will take the kitten and find it a good home and she did. ❤️!!!! Heart of gold. I will miss seeing her posts on Facebook. RIP Marie you will be missed. Tell Kenny we miss him 🥺

Hope Myers - May 27, 2023 at 09:58 AM

SH

“ Marie was such a friendly & warm woman. I have happy memories of her as a teenager. She will be missed!

Sandy Restaneo Huff - May 27, 2023 at 06:14 AM

SA

“ It is with a heavy heart and sadness to hear of my internet friends passing. Maria and I met years ago via facebook when I accidentally friended her thinking it was another Maria Carrafa. Even though it was an accidental meeting we struck an instant friendship when we learned how much we had in common with each other. We both suffered from chronic pain and encouraged each other to keep moving forward. I was devastated for her when she became paralyzed. But even after that tragedy, she continued to uplift me and remained a true friend. I am so sorry to hear of her passing, but know she is with her son and doggies she so loved. We even phoned each other a few times and laughed at how we met. She was proof that no one was a stranger to her, only a new friend she happily met. I will miss my friend. My condolences to her family and friends as I know she will be truly missed. RIP my friend.

susan m anton - May 27, 2023 at 01:55 AM