



## Concetta Rafter

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A few wonderful things about my grandma

Concetta Mastriano was born in Brooklyn on Jan. 1, 1910

She passed peacefully at Clove Lakes Health Care & Rehabilitation Center

Moving to Staten Island over 50 years ago, She and her husband lived with their son

Patrick Joseph Rafter.

She spoke about the death of her husband Patrick Joseph Rafter, Concetta always said he was wonderful and one of the best men on earth.

She was a seamstress during her younger years and volunteered much of her time to Holy Child R.C. Church in Eltingville.

Connie was a founding member, active parishioner and part-time church employee responsible for handling donations.

Interestingly, when she was 8-years-old, a doctor once told Connie's mom that her little girl wouldn't live much longer. Was he ever wrong !

Her mom would give her a diet of raw egg, goats milk and chicken.

Concetta lived for many years with her sister Anna Cipriano until she went into Clove Lakes Health Center

Family and friends loved going to see the both of them for Sunday dinner, and eating all there home cooked Italian food.

She always baked cookies for everybody, and liked to bake sugar cookies

At age 65 see learned to drive so she could help raise her four grandsons when their

mother died.

When new doctors would come and check on her they were always amazed and questioned her age.

The doctors would always inquire about what she ate and drank. Grandma would tell them home made Italian food.

Concetta is survived by her 3 grandsons and many family members.

Grandma you will be truly missed, May God Bless you on your new journey.

# Cemetery

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## **St Charles Cemetery**

2015 Wellwood Ave

Farmingdale, NY, 11735

# Comments

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“Aunt Connie” as I knew her, she was sister- in-law to my Grandmother, Josephine “Bella”Pender.I spent many good times with her and the family in my youth, and my husband and I visited with her and Anna in Eltingville after we moved from Brooklyn to Staten Island. She made the best struffil! RIP Aunt Connie.

**Janet Magee Chickara(nee Pender)** - January 01 at 11:34 AM

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“ Our prayers are with you all. We knew Connie from church. 1987 the church sponsored family cruise. Your Grandma and Aunt were at our table. So many laughs, they were trying the entire cruise to “pick up” the two gentlemen at the table next to us. Memories are so dear. May she Rest In Peace. God Bless

**Marie L** - May 05, 2020 at 04:29 PM