



## Caroline A. Calandriello

November 14, 1918 - January 11, 2022

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passed away at home under the care of VNSNY Hospice and her daughter and son-in-law at the age of 103.

Born in Bessemer, Pennsylvania daughter of Slovak immigrants she was one of 12 children. She came to NYC at the age of 15. She worked as a personal child care provider and then in the food industry.

She was introduced to her husband Joseph A. Calandriello by mutual roller skating friends in Central Park in 1936 and they were married in 1938. They lived in Manhattan. They moved to Queens in 1954 and then to Staten Island in 1970 purchasing a Mother/Daughter High Ranch home with their daughter and son-in-law in Great Kills.

She became a homemaker when their daughter Caroline was born. She learned to sew, crochet and knit. Making many beautiful pieces. She even made her daughters white velvet wedding gown, Maid of honor dress and three bridesmaids dresses along with her dress with matching coat.

Roller skating brought life long happiness to her and her husband and when he retired in 1978 they skated four days a week at various rinks in Staten Island, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. They made many wonderful friends with their skating companions. Widowed in 2001 after 63 years of marriage she carried on and skated until the age of 96.

She was admired by and was an inspiration to all. Caroline was regarded as an exceptional person and a true role model and hero. Mom, Grandmother, and Aunt she was her families joy, and very much loved.

Survived by her daughter Caroline Jewett, Son-in-law Guernsey Read (Jerry) Jewett, Grandson Christopher his wife Leslie Miller Jewett, Grandson Brandon his wife Nancy Spence and many nieces and nephews.

The family requests that memorial donations in Caroline Calandriello's name be made to the charity of your choosing.

Funeral Services for Caroline will be private.

# Cemetery Details

## **Ocean View Cemetery**

3315 Amboy Rd  
Staten Island, NY 10306

# Tribute Wall



“ *Caroline A. Calandriello*

October 04, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ *During this difficult and sad moment, please accept our heartfelt condolences to all family and friends. We are sorry for your loss. Praying that God's love will surround you all. Carrie was an extraordinary lady! So many excellent memories from New Years Eves in the past.*

*Antionette Pensa and husband John.*

*Jennifer Ridenour (Pensa) and her husband Victor and family.*

**Jennifer Ridenour** - January 21, 2022 at 08:44 AM



*Thank you. She had those same memories as well.*

**Caroline Jewett** - January 23, 2022 at 07:25 PM



“ *I was so saddened to hear of the news. Aunt Carrie was a very loving and special woman. From the moment I met her she had a place in my heart. She will be missed. Condolences to the entire family.*

*Love,*

*Nikki Romano*

**Nicole Romano** - January 20, 2022 at 01:41 PM

CJ

*Thank you Nikki. You had a special place in her heart as well.*

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**Caroline Jewett** - January 23, 2022 at 07:24 PM

TS

“ *What an awesome Aunt Carrie was. She was always so kind, caring, loving and upbeat. (also great cook!) She has provided memories that will be with us forever!*

*We all love you Aunt Carrie and will miss you very much.*

*You will never be forgotten!*

*Love,*

*Helen & Tom R.*

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**Thomas Romano Sr.** - January 15, 2022 at 12:41 PM

CJ

*Thank you for such loving words. She loved you too!*

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**Caroline Jewett** - January 15, 2022 at 01:16 PM

SB

“ *I met Caroline at her grandson's wedding. Nancy and Brandon chose to have a destination wedding in St. Croix. Caroline mustered all the bravery in her 90 year old soul to fly from New York to the island. It was her first and only flight. I believe it was for the love of family that she chose to go. I know she had a wonderful time at a dazzling event in a beautiful tropical place. I believe she holds that memory close to her heart forever.*

*With much love,*

*Susan & William Brown*

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**Susan Bradshaw Brown** - January 14, 2022 at 03:41 PM

CJ

*Thanks you Susan and William. You are absolutely correct in all that you said. That trip was just another act of bravery for Mom. That wedding created an everlasting memory for Mom.*

**Caroline Jewett** - January 14, 2022 at 06:37 PM

LS

*Aunt Carrie and Uncle Joe were so loving, fun and full of life! They spread joy and cheer to all in their presence. Now they will be reunited in love and peace. I hope heaven has a roller- skating rink! Love, Laura Sichler*

**Laura G Sichler** - January 17, 2022 at 07:03 PM

BS

*Aunt Carrie was a beacon of light spreading love, peace and happiness. During my childhood I remember Aunt Carrie and Uncle Joe walking arm in arm up the street. They looked so distinguished you couldn't help but notice them. Sometimes my older brother Jim and I would take bicycle rides with them through Central Park or join them on a walk from their apartment on 83rd st. up to 116th st. On the way home they would build up our appetites and anticipation talking about the spaghetti and meatball dinner we were going to have. Aunt Carrie and Uncle Joe enriched my childhood and life and gave me many happy memories. They were ecstatic over the gift of their daughter Carol. They hold a special place in our hearts and will always be remembered and cherished. I am so thankful to have had them in my life. Beatrice Concetta Romano-Sichler (niece)*

**Beatrice Concetta Romano Sichler** - January 17, 2022 at 07:38 PM

CJ

*Thank you for your loving thoughts and words and wonderful memories they shared with you.*

**Caroline Jewett** - January 18, 2022 at 08:06 AM

CP

*My heartfelt condolences! Aunt Carrie will be missed by so many! She was truly a joyful inspiration filled with so much energy and love and always had a smile on her face. I have such fond and beautiful memories of her attending my wedding in Virginia. I was so honored and thrilled that she made the trip all the way from NY to be a part of my special day spent with family. I will hold this fond memory in my heart forever. Sending warm thoughts for peace, love and strength during this very sad and difficult moment..XOXO  
Love, Cheryl & Andrea Pomante (Sichler)*

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**Cheryl Pomante** - February 02, 2022 at 02:02 PM