



## Celeste Piscioti

December 12, 1931 - February 9, 2025

Celeste Piscioti (née Scali), 93, formerly of Monroe Twp, NJ passed away Sunday, February 9, 2025, at Staten Island University Hospital.

Born on December 12, 1931, in Brooklyn, NY, Celeste was the beloved daughter of the late Jenny (née Marzocchi) and Vincent "Jimmy" Scali. She graduated from Manual Training High School in Brooklyn and began her career as a secretary at Java Pacific Shipping Lines in New York City. After starting a family, she took time off to raise her children. Once they were grown, Celeste returned to work, first at the Tribunal Office of the Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn, and later at Thacher, Proffitt & Wood law firm, from which she retired in 1995.

Celeste was an active member of several organizations, including the Catholic Columbiette Society, the Italian American Club of Monroe, and the Red Hat Society. She was also a dedicated member of Holy Name of Jesus Church in Brooklyn and The Nativity of Our Lord Church in Monroe, NJ. She had a passion for arts and crafts, cooking, reading, traveling with her husband, and attending Broadway shows. Above all, Celeste cherished spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

She met the love of her life, Vincent, after his return from serving in Korea in the US Navy. They married on April 16, 1955, at Holy Name of Jesus Church

in Brooklyn. Together, they had two children, five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Celeste is survived by her daughter Donna, son Stephen (and daughter-in-law Michele), and her grandchildren: Alyssa Kenniff (Steven), Krysta DePonti (Steven), Erica Zocco (Matthew), Cristina Piscioti (Jon), and Vincent Piscioti. She was also blessed with five great-grandchildren: Henry, Jack, and Stella Kenniff; and Delaney and Presley DePonti, she was anxiously awaiting the birth of her sixth great grandchild, In April. She leaves behind her sister-in-law Dorothy, niece Carol, and nephews Vincent and Michael.

Celeste was predeceased by her husband Vincent, her parents Jenny and Jimmy, her brother Sonny, and her son-in-law Henry.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 AM on Wednesday February 12, 2025 at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, 5411 Amboy Road, Staten Island, NY 10312. Entombment will follow at Holy Cross Cemetery in Jamesburg, NJ.

The family will receive family and friends at the John Vincent Scalia Funeral Home, 28 Eltingville Blvd, Staten Island, NY, on Tuesday February 11, 2025, from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

Memorial contributions in loving memory of Celeste may be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place Memphis, TN 38105  
or the Alzheimer's Association-NYC  
225 N. Michigan Ave. Floor 17  
Chicago, IL 60601.

# Cemetery Details

## Holy Cross Burial Park

840 Cranbury South River Rd  
East Brunswick, NJ 08816

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 11. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals, Inc.  
28 Eltingville Blvd  
Staten Island, NY 10312

## Service

FEB 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady Star Of The Sea Church  
5411 Amboy Rd  
Staten Island, NY 10312

# Tribute Wall

TF

“ *The Palermo & Quagliariello families purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Celeste Piscioti.*



---

**The Palermo & Quagliariello families** - February 10, 2025 at  
06:25 PM