



Theresa A. Gambardella

October 23, 1929 - March 3, 2026

We celebrate the beautiful life of Theresa Anna Gambardella (Mamma "T") , a wonderful woman, a cherished mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, who passed away peacefully at the age of 96.

Theresa was educated as a stenographer and later employed by Equitable Life Insurance company in Manhattan where she worked in the human resources department. She eventually purchased a second home in Jupiter Florida where her family enjoyed countless vacations and built loving memories.

Born and raised in Red Hook, Brooklyn to an Italian immigrant father, Pasquale Massa a stevedore in the Red Hook Harbor and mother Lucy DiPirro. Theresa had 3 siblings, Louis, Lucy and Gabriela. She was married 61 years to her husband Andrew Gambardella also from Red Hook, who was employed as a printer before becoming an engineer with the NYPD.

She lived her life with grace, kindness, and an unwavering love for her family. Her home in Staten Island was always a place of comfort, laughter, and open arms. She had a gift for making everyone feel seen and valued, and her gentle wisdom guided generations.

She enjoyed holidays with family, cooking (her famous eggplant parm) and

was an avid baseball fan, never missing a Mets game and actually attended Spring Training in Port St. Lucie this month. She spent countless hours watching little league games and encouraging her children, grandchildren and great-grand children.

As a grandmother, she brought joy, stories, and endless encouragement. She leaves behind a legacy built on love, compassion, and faith in her Lord and Savior. Her life was built on simplicity of living each day to the fullest. Her family takes comfort in knowing that her spirit of passion for life lives on in the hearts of all who were fortunate enough to know her.

She will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

She is survived by her children Regina (Mike), Frank (Jeannine), Peter (Jeanne). Daughter in Law Lynda.

Grandchildren, Christopher, Kristen(Scott), Leah, Lauren(Frank), Jeana, Vanessa(Chris), Jenna(Chris), Alisa, Russell

Great-Grandchildren, Daniel, Nicholas, Jesse (Lauren), Olivia, Emma, Isabelle, Jayden, Allie, Sophia and Christopher

Theresa is predeceased by her daughter Michele and grandson Andrew.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

361 Sharrott Ave
Staten Island, NY 10309

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 8. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

MAR 8. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Service

MAR 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Holy Child Church
4747 Amboy Road
Staten Island, NY 10312

Tribute Wall



“ John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Theresa A. Gambardella



John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc. - March 08 at 11:48 AM

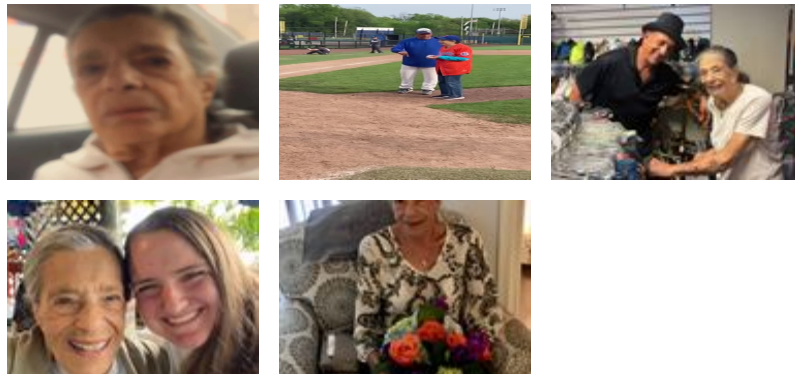
LS

“ Laura S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Theresa A. Gambardella.

Laura S. - March 08 at 08:15 PM



“ 99 files added to the album Life Tributes



John Vincent Scalia Home for Funerals Inc. - March 08 at 11:31 AM

AR

“ *Armstrong Family- Ed Ann Gillian Rebecca purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Theresa A. Gambardella.*



Armstrong Family- Ed Ann Gillian Rebecca - March 07 at 08:23 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Theresa A. Gambardella.*



March 07 at 05:03 PM

TP

“ *The Romano Family and Olivia Petino purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Theresa A. Gambardella.*



The Romano Family and Olivia Petino - March 07 at 12:45 PM

CB

“ *Caren & Ed Berlin planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Theresa A. Gambardella.*

Caren & Ed Berlin - March 06 at 12:03 PM

CB

“ Caren & Ed Berlin purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Theresa A. Gambardella.



Caren & Ed Berlin - March 06 at 12:03 PM

VR

“ Vinny and Lisa Russo purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Theresa A. Gambardella.



Vinny and Lisa Russo - March 05 at 02:36 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Theresa A. Gambardella.



March 05 at 10:17 AM

RP

“ Rob & Patty Pascal planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Theresa A. Gambardella.

Rob & Patty Pascal - March 04 at 06:05 PM

RP

“ Rob & Patty Pascal purchased the *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet* for the family of Theresa A. Gambardella.



Rob & Patty Pascal - March 04 at 06:05 PM



“ *Pretty Please* was purchased for the family of Theresa A. Gambardella.



March 04 at 04:37 PM

OR

“ Olivia Robinson purchased the *Heavenly Grace Spray* for the family of Theresa A. Gambardella.



Olivia Robinson - March 04 at 11:25 AM