



Maria C. "Marie" Lawson

December 20, 1929 - October 25, 2023

Maria C. "Marie" Lawson, 93 of Bonita Springs, Florida, left this world on Wednesday, October 25, 2023 to join her beloved husband of 60 years, Jack Lawson. She was born December 20, 1929 in Baltimore, Maryland, the only daughter of the late Sante and Rosa (nee Marinucci) DeRisio who emigrated to America in the late 1920's from Vasto, Italy.

Upon Jack's retirement in 1991, they moved from Reisterstown, MD to Bonita Springs. She was a member of St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in Bonita Springs. Her warm personality and friendly smile will be remembered by those who knew her.

Marie is survived by her loving children of whom she was very proud; son, John Anthony (Colleen) Lawson of Lott, TX; daughter, Rosemarie (Joseph) Bernarding of Eldersburg, MD; and three precious grandchildren, Jacob Paul Lawson, Marisa Patricia Bernarding and Michela Rosa Bernarding. Her husband, Jack passed away on May 10, 2009.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Monday, October 30, 2023 at 12:00 PM (noon) at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church, 28300 Beaumont Road, Bonita Springs, FL 34134.

Interment will be at New Cathedral Cemetery in Baltimore, MD.

Online condolences may be offered by visiting www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home, Family Owned and Operated Since 1978.

Cemetery Details

New Cathedral Cemetery

4300 Old Frederick Road
Baltimore, MD 21229

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT **30**. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Leo the Great Catholic Church
28300 Beaumont Road
Bonita Springs, FL 34134

Tribute Wall

DM

“ I am one of the caregivers at Brookdale Bonita Springs and had the pleasure of knowing little Marie ❤️ such a loving and kind soul. Her smile was contagious and she called me her adopted daughter!! She will be missed dearly May she rest in the hands of our Lord Jesus. Donna Mowery

donna mowery - November 05, 2023 at 10:53 AM

FV

“ R.I.P. Marie. I will always remember you from the time I would come to Brookdale Bonita Springs and entertain. I loved your smile and how friendly you were. I especially enjoyed singing your favorite song “Marie.” God Bless 🙏🙏

Frank Virelli - October 29, 2023 at 07:54 PM

VL

“ I have fond and loving memories of Marie, my Dad, and dear Nick, who lived a wonderful life at Emeritus/Brookdale in Bonita Springs for many years. They were quite the threesome, enjoying a sometimes busy social life, especially in their younger years.

Marie was a lovely lady, always beautifully attired and elegant. She was also a prayerful lady, who took her faith life seriously. She was a congregant of her beloved St. Leo the Great Parish in Bonita. Whenever I had the privilege to preside and preach at St. Leo's, Marie was there, front and center, with my Dad and Nick beside her. What a wonderful blessing!

True friendship is indeed a great gift of God. In the relationships we forge in this life, we experience an inkling of the eternal friendship we will experience in heaven. May Marie, Jimmy, and Nick finally experience all that they had hoped for in this world, and more... as they behold the friendship of God for all eternity.

May they Rest in Peace!

Fr. Vincent De Lucia, O.P.

Vincent De Lucia - October 28, 2023 at 09:22 AM

PD

“ We LOVED Marie! One of the kindest, wittiest, and humorous 'little ladies' ever. She attended worship services with us at Summerville/Emeritus/Brookdale until management changes precluded those services.

She 'took care' of those at the facility who needed a kind friend and trusting ear. NO ONE was outside her unselfish acts.

We look forward to seeing her in God's Heaven when the Resurrected Lord Jesus Christ comes to take His church home forever.

Pastor Tim and Marie Deaton
Bonita Springs

Pastor Tim Deaton - October 27, 2023 at 11:15 AM

JZ

“ Marie was a doll. She looked like a model, even at 93, because she kept herself active and socially involved. She was the life of the party, and brought Joy to many people. Although she was short in stature, she was big in heart. Marie's smile, witty sense of humor, and her love brought sunshine into our lives. Her outfits were almost as cute as she was, and her make-up was always perfect. She remains a role model for all of us, as she was, truly, a great Catholic.

We share in the grief of her wonderful family and her many friends. Marie will always shine in our hearts, and illuminate the Heavens with a sweeter glow. May God grant us Peace. 💖🕊️

With Love and Support,
Sandie Treichel & Jaime Ziadie

Jaime Ziadie - October 27, 2023 at 04:58 AM