



Joyce Marie Spinelli

March 1, 2022

Having lived a long and beautiful life, Joyce Spinelli passed away peacefully on March 1, 2022. She was born to loving parents, Clarence and Leona, in San Francisco on August 9th. After growing up in The City, life had bigger plans for Joyce when she married the love of her life, Frank, who became a United States Air Force flight surgeon. Through their many stations throughout the country and internationally, they grew their family by welcoming three boys into the world. The Spinellis traveled often, whether it was relocating to another state or country, or vacationing and visiting friends, they were always ready for fun and excitement.

Joyce's love of adventure continued throughout her life; she and Frank visited six continents, many countries, and countless cities and towns. Joyce's kindness and loving spirit were felt worldwide as she made friends everywhere she went. Joyce was someone who lit up every room she entered. Her magical gift was welcoming everyone she met with open arms and treating them like family. Joyce's warm smile, intoxicating personality, and full engagement in every conversation made whomever she was talking to feel like they were the most important person in the room.

She proudly served the Napa Community through volunteer organizations such as the Lilac Branch of Children's Hospital, the Queen of the Valley Medical Foundation, the P.E.O. Chapter XM, and the Napa Valley Republican

Women. Through her volunteer work Joyce organized and hosted many events and made life-long friendships.

Joyce is survived by her three sons: Robert (Haidi), David (Robin), and Michael (Darice); her six grandchildren: Rachel, Jared, Gregory, Mitchell, Troy, and Austin; and her two great grandchildren: Caden and Emersyn.

A viewing will be held at Claffey & Rota Funeral Home on Wednesday March 16, 2022, from 4:00-6:00pm. A church service will be held at St. Apollinaris Church on Thursday March 17, 2022, at 11:00am. A Celebration of Life Reception will follow.

Donations in Joyce's memory can be made to Children's Hospital through childrenshospitalbranches.org (please specify the Lilac Branch) or to the Queen of the Valley Medical Foundation through foundation.providence.org/ca/queen.

God has Joyce in his keeping while we will always have her in our hearts. We will honor her legacy by spreading kindness and living life to the fullest.

Previous Events

Viewing

MAR 16. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (PT)

Claffey and Rota Funeral Home
1975 Main Street
Napa, CA 94559
(707) 224-5210
services@claffeyandrota.com
<http://www.claffeyandrota.com>

Mass

MAR 17. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

St. Apollinaris Catholic Church
3700 Lassen St
Napa, CA 94558
(707) 257-2555

Reception

MAR 17. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



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“ *Without question, an amazingly gracious, loving and kind person to everyone. We held both Frank and Joyce in the very highest esteem. We are so sorry for this immeasurable loss, but know Joyce's love and example will strengthen and comfort her beautiful family.*

Love, honor and respect,

The Beattys

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“ *Joyce's friendship over 67 years has been very special to me. I was in her wedding as Frank was one of my closest friends and Carol and I really have great memories of their 50th wedding celebration. We will miss our frequent phone calls. We certainly will be thinking of Joyce and the Spinelli family on March 17, wishing we could be there with all of you. Jim Slama*

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