



## Eunice A. Antonucci

February 1, 1923 - May 13, 2022

Cohoes, NY

Eunice S. Antonucci, 99, died May 13, 2022. Born in Cohoes and a lifelong resident she was daughter of the late Giovanni and Margaret Leonbruno Santarcangelo. Eunice had a long and distinguished career in nursing and human services, with an emphasis on people with developmental disabilities. She earned her RN Degree at Berkshire Medical Center, Massachusetts. She later became director of nursing at Cohoes Memorial Hospital and was awarded a B.S. Degree in human services. Eunice founded the first group home in Cohoes for developmentally disabled consumers. Until her death she remained a member of the executive board of the Center for Disability Services. Eunice has been honored in many ways as a person of high commendation for her community interest involvement and accomplishments. She also directed various health and human service programs under 5 Cohoes mayors, beginning with Citizens Party Mayor Jay McDonald. In 1981 she purchased Smith's Restaurant on Remsen St. in Cohoes and ran it with her daughter until 2008. She had been an active member of Holy Trinity Parish in Cohoes and the Cohoes/ Waterford Elks Lodge. She would often say "I've never been bored a day in my life".

Survived by her children F. Charles (Christy Callicchia) Antonucci, John P. (Angela) Antonucci and Margaret M. (late John) Kehn. Grandmother of

Lindsay (Tony) Snow. Great grandmother of Sarah Snow and Wayne Boatwright. Sister of the late Theresa and Salvatore Santarcangelo, Mary Choiniere, Loretta Santoro, Margaret Sala, V. Joseph, John, James and Gennaro Santarcangelo. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 1pm from The Church of the Holy Trinity in Cohoes. Interment will be in Memory's Garden Cemetery Colonie. Calling hours are Thursday from 10-1pm at Holy Trinity Church. In lieu of flowers donation's in Eunice's memory may be made to The Center for Disability Services Eunice Antonucci / John Kehn Scholarship Fund 314 South Manning Boulevard Albany NY 12208.

# Cemetery Details

## Memory Gardens Cemetery and Memorial Park

983 Watervliet-Shaker Road  
Albany, NY 12205  
<https://memorygardens.org/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 19. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

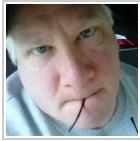
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## Service

MAY 19. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Who didn't love Eunice?*

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**Vincent Ree** - September 04, 2022 at 03:33 PM



“ *Margaret, John, Charlie and the entire family. I'm so sorry to hear of your mom passing . What a truly great person she was . Thoughts and prayers are with you all*

*Jim Halloran*

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**Jim Halloran** - May 21, 2022 at 07:26 AM



“ *Margaret, John & Charlie*  
*I'm sorry for your loss. For a short lady Eunice was had a "Giant" impact on so many lives. Mine included. The trajectory of my life changed when I started waiting tables at Smith's and learning from your Mom. I always tell folks I learned more waiting tables at Smith's than I did in college. And, that's because of your Mom, you 3 and the culture there. I really don't think I end up flying in the Air Force if it wasn't for your Mom. I thought bigger and dreamed a bit more because of her. She was a force for good in so many peoples lives. I stopped working at Smith's in 1985. As I type this in 2022 I can honestly say she was one of the most impactful bosses/mentors that I've had in my entire life! How Blessed was I to run a few laps of life with her. And, while you grieve now, I hope you can see in time how Blessed you were to have such a Mom. In my thoughts and prayers.*

*Mike Pelcher*

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**Mike Pelcher** - May 19, 2022 at 02:55 PM

MB

“ So sorry for your loss. Eunice was a wonderful person who seemed to touch the heart of everyone she met.  
*Mark and Valleen Blanchet and family*

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**Mark and Valleen Blanchet** - May 19, 2022 at 07:30 AM

LD

“ Eunice was a co worker n good friend of my grandmother Mildred Marcelle when they worked together as social workers at the Cohoes Library n Eunice gave me my "1st job" helping pack bags for people needing food who were on food stamps at the library. I'd would always say hello when she was at Smith's n she'd ask how my g.ma was doing. Such a caring n kind woman who'll be sorely missed. Rest in peace Eunice. Linda Derrico, Millie's granddaughter

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**Linda J Derrico** - May 19, 2022 at 12:40 AM

AS

“ Margaret, Johnny & Charlie,  
I don't know where to start because there's so many special moments. These last few days they have been flooding through my mind. From her giving me my first season pass to Carlson's, to giving my mom one of your hand-me -down skis, one Christmas. My first ski vacation to Jay Peak with your family. Then being there sharing her love with my children. Margaret and Aunt E hosting baby & bridal showers at Smith's. Sharing her ski Chalet with my children and their cousins that special week in February. Some of the best times in my life. When my mom was dying I don't know if you knew this but she slept on the couch for a week at my parent's house praying with us for her sister. My only regret is that my life got so busy that I didn't spend more time with her this last year but I hope she and you know how much I loved her. it's a blessing that she's in Heaven with her family but it's still a loss. Love to you all  
Anne



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Anne Stemp - May 18, 2022 at 10:13 PM

CB

“ Our deepest condolences. She was one of a kind.



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Carol and Anne Marie Blair - May 18, 2022 at 06:04 PM

AK

“Eunice made a difference in people's lives. She was a woman of consequence. We met in January of 1975. My life was never the same nor were the lives of so many others.

*It started with a group home for 8 people and became a "movement" serving thousands of people. As consequential as the Center for Disability Services has become, it does not nearly explain Eunice's impact.*

*She was kind and giving to so many people no matter their walk of life. She was courageous and danced to the beat of her own drum, which led her to support things that most people would walk away from.*

*We always considered ourselves fortunate to have her as part of our family.*

*At my daughter's wedding, guests were asked to sign a corn hole board that was to be varnished to memorialize our guests sentiments. Eunice without a moment's hesitation wrote: "May all your future pain be champagne".*

*We offer our sincerest condolences to Charles, John, Margaret & the rest of the family.*

*We understand how much she will be missed.*

*Alan & Mary Krafchin.... and family*

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**Alan Krafchin** - May 17, 2022 at 09:38 PM

JO

*Thanks Alan. You meant a lot to mom. You were the best partner for her and what you both achieved will help people for years to come. Thank you so much. John*

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**JohnAntonucci** - May 18, 2022 at 11:44 AM

CK

*For the last several years Eunice has been my friend. For the least little thing I could do for her she always grateful. I will miss her quick wit and her friendship. She was one of a kind, unique and very special. I always enjoyed the time we spent together. RIP Eunice.*

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**Carolyn Koval** - May 18, 2022 at 12:00 PM

DR

“ So sorry John, Margaret and Charlie. She was a very unique and wonderful person. I'll never forget her advice when I had my first son. I had him all wrapped up in blankets (in August), she saw me at a store and came to see the baby. She started pulling blankets off of him and said” if you are warm he is warm” Great advice for a new mom❤️ She touched so many people in small and large ways. Prayers for your family. Debbie (Hare) Radliff

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**Debbie Radliff** - May 17, 2022 at 07:41 PM

PB

“ Margaret and family I am so sorry for your loss. She was such an amazing person. I will always remember the great times at St. Rita's, Holy Trinity and our luncheon's we had monthly. We had a lot of great laughs and fun. She is now in Heaven having a great time with her family and friends. I am sure going to miss her a lot. She has touched my life big time and so many other peoples lives. Any one that meet her where so blessed. God Bless You.

*Patty Bullock*

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**Patricia Bullock** - May 17, 2022 at 04:23 PM

FT

“ She was pretty much a fixture in the life of my extended family for as long as I can remember. Some of my fondest memories of her was as the “mayor of Remsen Street”. She stopped in my business and I’m sure many others at least once a week for 26 years. Just checking to see how we were doing. Always fun, always great conversation. Calling her a special women would be a tremendous understatement. God Bless You Eunice! What a life!  
Fred Turcotte

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**Fred Turcotte** - May 17, 2022 at 03:48 PM

JC

“ Margaret, our sincere condolences to you and your family. Your mother was a wonderful person. We loved hearing all her stories. And oh how she loved her cookies. I know that she will find someone in heaven to bake for her.  
Bob and Jane Ceccucci

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**jane ceccucci** - May 17, 2022 at 11:48 AM

KB

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your Mom she was a very special Women that I had the honor to meet years ago and spend time with her. I will miss her God Bless.

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**Karen Bailie-carter** - May 17, 2022 at 10:42 AM

PN

“ I have so many happy memories of eunice I could send the day here mostly I remember she was always happy with a smile she loved people and was always there for them with a smile and a helping hand she will be surely missed by her family and her community may she RIP and a special hug from me to Margaret

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**Patricia NORMANDIN** - May 17, 2022 at 07:58 AM

NG

“ Nancy J Glodich lit a candle in memory of  
Eunice A. Antonucci



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**Nancy J Glodich** - May 16, 2022 at 10:59 PM

MR

“ Margaret, Charlie & John,  
What a wonderful person your mom was.. her smiling face, quick wit  
and her amazing loving children!  
She will be missed but not forgotten

Love to All, Guy & MaryPat

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**mary ragosta** - May 16, 2022 at 08:13 PM

JB

“ Margaret, John and Charlie there are far too many wonderful  
memories of your Mom for me to tell. She was a wonderful person  
and I loved her. She was kind to everyone and made sure everyone  
had fun. I always felt welcome in your home and at the camp. I hope  
she's with her hundreds of friends who have gone before her. She  
was the life of the party and the person everyone wanted to be with.  
May all of your wonderful memories of her live on in your hearts.  
She didn't waste one day of the 99 years she spent here on earth.  
Heaven has gained another Angel. Love , Judy Burns

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**Judy Burns** - May 16, 2022 at 08:10 PM

DP

*My sincere condolences to Eunice's family. She was the heart and soul of Cohoes. Some years ago I took a computer course with her at night school at Cohoes High. We had such fun in the class!! She will be so missed by so many. May she Rest In Peace.*

Donna Parker - May 16, 2022 at 08:26 PM

PL

“ *My heartfelt condolences to Margaret, Charlie and John in the loss of your beautiful mother. Eunice contributed her entire life to others in need. She orchestrated the Heritage Festival which lasted for years and was instrumental in assisting those with disabilities. She was always busy doing something, and for 99 years she made others smile, improved lives of the needy, worked her whole life and raised her family.*

*I have fond memories of when you all worked so hard next door and served the best food!! French Dip was my favorite!!*

*May she now Rest In Eternal Peace.*

*Pam Lindboe*

Pamalot Lindboe - May 16, 2022 at 08:05 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Eunice A. Antonucci.*



May 16, 2022 at 07:50 PM

MD

“ Heartfelt sympathy to you Margaret and to your family. I enjoyed a summer as a waitress at Smith's working for your Mom and you.  
Hugs

Mary Claire Drescher - May 16, 2022 at 07:46 PM

JB

“ rip eunice you were one of a kind

james bryant - May 16, 2022 at 07:46 PM



“ Margaret, you are so lucky to have had her 99 years. She had a wonderful life and I am so glad to see a picture of her smiling face.  
Tina (Purificato) Hanson

Tina Hanson - May 16, 2022 at 07:44 PM

AG



Anthony Snow Eunice's great grandson - May 16, 2022 at 09:38 PM

AW

“ Charlie and Christy I am so very sorry for your families loss.



anita weiler - May 16, 2022 at 07:42 PM

MM

“Eunice never forgot people she knew regardless of the time span. That smile, her happy disposition reflected her love of all people. What a record of accomplishments set during her lifetime. I remember walking up Columbia St going to the high school and she kept the pace walking and talking at the same time. She was an honest person to deal with in business. Happy memories of when she was nursing and made her nursing career her life and then went on to community programs and more responsibility. A mover & doer.  
Mildred Jennings Mincher

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**Mildred Jennings Mincher** - May 16, 2022 at 07:38 PM

MB

“Eunice was full of life, and always ready to give of herself to others. She was my boss at the Cohoes Hospital and made working there fun and exciting.  
My Sympathy to her family.

Marilyn Miranda

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**Marilyn Miranda Bocchi** - May 16, 2022 at 07:38 PM

SG

“Sending our sincerest condolences to Eunice's family.

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**Sandy & Joe Guerin** - May 16, 2022 at 06:58 PM