



Irene Scassera

September 4, 1941 - January 5, 2021

Irene L. Starr-Scassera

Age 79, of Highland Park, on January 5, 2021. Loving mother of Tony "Starr" (Maricel) Petrulli, Jojo (Gina) Scassera, Lulu (Steve) Chiang, Max (Christina) Scassera and Bobby (Blanca) Scassera; mother in law of Justin Long; grandmother of George, Stella, Bella, Cecelia, Ava, Dominic, Sebastien, Sophie and Milo; sister of Rebecca Starr and the late Robert E. Lee Starr II. She also leaves behind many loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Irene came from a large loving Italian family. She lived for her children and was known as the neighborhood mother. She was a fabulous cook and lived life to the fullest. She always said "Don't forget to stir the pot". Funeral Private.

Tribute Wall



“ *Irene Scassera*

January 13, 2023 at 04:43 PM



“ *Dear Family and Friends,*

We brought mother home last night and we all feel better having her home. The outpouring of cards, flowers and support has been amazing. It just goes to show you how many souls she has touched during her life, she will no doubt continue to do the same from above. Though we all have much sorrow at this time take solace in knowing that her presence is nearby and smiling upon us. I can't thank all of you enough for reinforcing what we all ready knew, that she was an amazing person!

Tony

Tony - January 20, 2021 at 07:32 AM



“ *Carolina Asturi lit a candle in memory of Irene Scassera*



Carolina Asturi - January 17, 2021 at 10:53 PM

CA

Where do I start. I met Lulu in grade school we both had big families she had 4 brothers I had 5 so you know it was crazy growing up. What I remember about Rene is she had a beautiful personality and a beautiful woman inside and out I remember her amazing food my favorite was chicken teterzzin loved it! When us young girls were going out to the bars,we would meet at Lulu's house .Renee had the best makeup she would let us use,we would share each other clothes and we had sleep overs had blast growing up in there house. I'm so glad I got spend some time with her and rekindle old times. Irene you would truly miss never forgotten fly your wings beautiful Lady 🥺🥹🥲🥰

Carolina Asturi - January 17, 2021 at 11:04 PM

CA

“ I don't where to start I met Lulu in grade school we were neighborhood friends from there we all grew up together she had had 4 brothers I had five. We both knew how crazy that is!! I always remember Irene being a beautiful stunning mom I thought she beautiful growing up we all played in her makeup when we were going a bunch of girls would meet up at Lulu's house get dressed wearing each other clothes Irene house was always open to everyone we all loved her cooking when I would step in her home I always smelled something good always wanted to eat her food you also could talk to her about anything she was stylish stunning beautiful woman I'm so happy I got to spend a little time with her in the last year and half you will be missed truly fly your Wings 🥺🥹🥲🥰



Carolina Asturi - January 17, 2021 at 10:41 PM



“ *You always think you had more time until you don't.*

Lulu and I always talked about going up to Winterton and playing cards with you. We'd get busy or something would pop up and we never got around to it. I regret that we'll no longer be able to do that. We know you'd enjoyed it and how much we'd enjoyed your company.

But we also know you lived a beautiful life with wonderful memories because you lived in the present, and you wouldn't want us to dwell on the regret. We should jump on the next chance to do something fun and really go for it because that's how you'd like to see us living our lives to the fullest.

You were a kind and gentle soul with a great sense of adventure. You loved everyone around you and you didn't wait to tell them how much they mean to you. The feelings were reciprocated by everyone. I will miss you.

Steve Chiang - January 15, 2021 at 08:24 AM

MP

We had so much fun together and laughed a lot. Some day I will get to tell some stories.

Mary Pucciarelli - January 15, 2021 at 08:32 PM

SL

“ My earliest memories are flooded with my grandmother. I really struggle when I try to write the loving and truly beautiful moments down on a page, and to not give each and every one mention brings tears to my eyes. However, one of her favorites that would make each of us laugh without fail; when I was very young I had rushed into her home and before even greeting her said “Grandma, do you have any basagne?(lasagne)” Rest assured, we would call it ‘basagne’ from there on out. My obsession with her food didn’t stop there. Watching her cook was always an experience I cherished, and I always thought to myself ‘I won’t ever be that good!’ One of my regrets was not setting aside more time to watch and learn all that I could from you. I find peace in that my beautiful mother knows all that she does and will in time fill me up with the knowledge and loving techniques you gave her. I could list all our moments and talk about her forever. I’ll keep every one of them close to my heart and pass on what I can to my children some day as to keep her spirit thriving. I’m more thankful than words can describe to have been blessed with such an amazing grandmother.



Stella Long - January 14, 2021 at 10:59 PM

LS

Love you, thank you for sharing wonderful memories and feelings❤️

louise scassera - January 15, 2021 at 07:54 AM

FJ

“ Dearest Rene,
I have nothing but fond memories of you and your family. Going to the "Starr's" house for any reason, was always something to get excited about. Besides being beautiful, you were always so calm, cool, and classy.
Love,
Cousin Frankie

frank ferrer bisceglia, Jr. - January 13, 2021 at 09:19 PM

LS

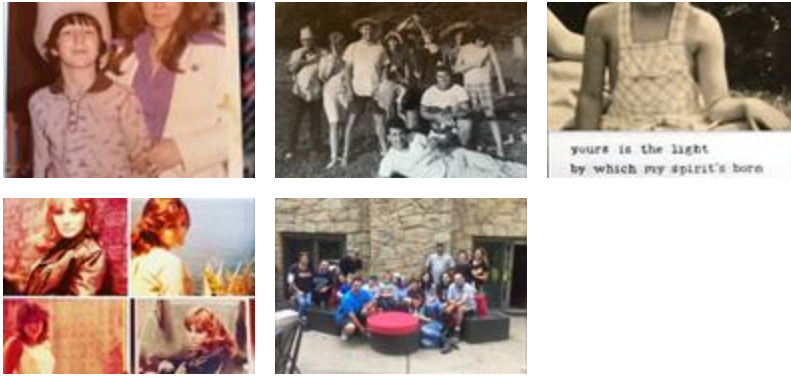
“ Louise Scassera lit a candle in memory of Irene Scassera



louise scassera - January 13, 2021 at 11:18 AM

LS

“ Beautiful mother, giver of life, nurturer of our souls. You will be for us, like the lighthouses on the coast of Maine that you loved so much. Shining light like a beacon in the storms that may come our way. Watching over us as now go through this life without the anchor that kept us stable and safe. My heart will ache in till the day my own sun goes down. Never a more loving, kind, funny, generous mother has blessed this earth. Godspeed to you momma and may the Angels be as beautiful as you ❤️🙏😭



louise scassera - January 13, 2021 at 10:55 AM

MM

I remember Rene fondly. She played a big role in the formation of friendships that have lasted a lifetime. She left her mark on people in many ways and each person has a fond memory. For me, it was her meatballs. She could cook like nobody else. After greeting everyone the first place I would go was to search out the fridge for those awesome meatballs. They are the benchmark for all others and none have come close. She was a kind woman and will always be remembered with great fondness.

Michael Marchese - January 14, 2021 at 06:55 PM

CH

“ *The apple of everyone’s eye she ever met.*



chop - January 13, 2021 at 08:46 AM

LS



louise scassera - January 13, 2021 at 10:44 AM



“ *Moon & Star Holder Pendant was purchased for the family of Irene Scassera.*



January 12, 2021 at 12:51 PM

CH

“ *Super Nascar fan! #24 all time favorite*



chop - January 09, 2021 at 11:42 AM



“ *Fleur de Lis Pendant and Chain was purchased for the family of Irene Scassera.*



January 08, 2021 at 01:20 PM



“ *Tear of Love Pendant was purchased for the family of Irene Scassera.*



January 08, 2021 at 01:20 PM



“ *Cross Holder - Simple Lines was purchased for the family of Irene Scassera.*



January 08, 2021 at 01:19 PM



“ *My beautiful, kind, dear cousin. I love you and will miss you. Please say hello to all our family in Heaven. Give my sister Annabelle a big kiss from me, I couldn't because of COVID. Love, Charlene*

Charlene - January 07, 2021 at 07:04 PM



Thank you Charlene, she loved her cousins with all of her ❤️

louise scassera - January 13, 2021 at 11:19 AM

JC

“ My deepest condolences to all of Reenie’s family. She was my older cousin who always was so quietly so darn gorgeous and sexy. Sweet smile and loving. As a youngster we didn’t spend a lot of time together... but a shopping spree with my sister Anna Marie, cousin Becky, and Reenie will always stand out in my mind. We had fun spending a substantial amount of “ cash” from our dads. We will miss you Reenie. Another cousin gone. You’ll always be in our prayers.

*Judy (Scaringi) Coco
Lebanon Tn*

judy coco - January 06, 2021 at 08:11 PM

LI

*Dearest Lulu and family
I am so sorry for your loss.. Cousin Reenie was always so sweet so beautiful and always smiling. Another dear cousin gone.
Our love to you and the family
Linda (Cristiano) and Tony & Kris Bucci*

linda - January 07, 2021 at 05:07 PM

LS

Linda, thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We have been blessed with to have such a loving mother. The time she spent with her cousins was very dear to her. 🙏❤️

louise scassera - January 13, 2021 at 11:21 AM

CH

“ Also super nascar fan #24 all time favorite!



chop - January 06, 2021 at 06:42 PM

KS

“ My Aunt Reenie loved Jewelry and for all of her life wore the most stunning, fun or unusual pieces. I remember a beautiful oval shaped amber ring she wore that was set in silver. I loved it sooo much ! I remember telling her so. About a year later she handed me a little box for Christmas. I was stunned to find a slightly smaller replica of her ring. I couldn't believe it. How did she find another one! I've treasured that ring ever since the day she gave it to me. I wore it yesterday. That's the kind of Aunt she was. I love her so much and will miss her dearly. Much love to her family ❤️

kimberly A Starr - January 06, 2021 at 04:25 PM

LS

Kim, thank you so much for everything during this very difficult time. Your support has been unending. How she loved her nephews and nieces. ❤️

louise scassera - January 13, 2021 at 11:24 AM

JL

“ Mama Reenie was a one of a kind, beautiful on the inside and out, soul. She excepted me into her family and made me feel as welcome and loved as if I was her own. My children were blessed with a grandma who would cook them delicious meals and then get down on the floor and play with their toys with them. One of my fondest memories is her reading the comics with Milo on her chair in the living room. Or poring out flour on a tray for them to run their hot wheels through. She didn't care about the mess. I loved that about her. Her sons and daughter are signposts of her love, my brothers and sister. Love you all. She will be missed immensely here but what an addition party up above!! Love you always mama! J

Justin Long - January 06, 2021 at 03:57 PM