

Connie's Life Story

Born in Italy 12/8/1920

Parents: Maddelena & Frank Grieco

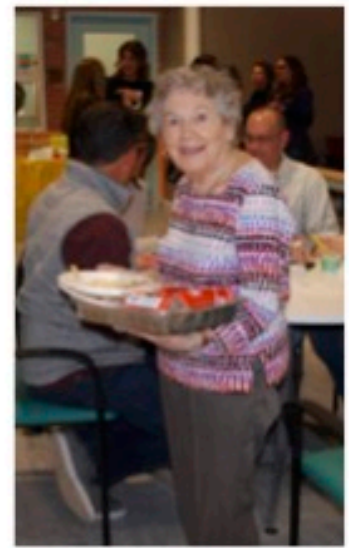
Siblings: Frank, Lucy and Helen

Emigrated to US in 1927 & Lived in Newark NJ where she met her husband Salvatore . They had 4 daughters Marie Louise, Judy, Anne & Francine. Sal died in 1965.

As a teenager, Connie worked at Charms factory and finished High School at night. In the 60s/70s she worked as a

Clerk typist at Newark City Hall and continued to work as a Waitress until she retired at 75 years old! She finally moved

to a 55+ community, volunteered, joined many clubs and had an active social life. At almost 102 Connie still cares for herself and even goes to Atlantic City every month! She now has 8 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.



Life Hobbies and Preferences

Connie has always loved Sewing, Crocheting, Puzzles, Reading, Flower gardening Loved Traveling, - especially to Italy. Always up for Playing cards, Board games going for a walk and a trip to Atlantic City

Food - Italian, Chinese take out, Ice Cream, Loves a good "hotdog on the grill"

Religion - Catholic - went to church every Sunday entire life- Rosary daily

Favorite Music

Frank Sinatra, Old Movie Musicals, Connie Francis, Barbara Streisand, Opera and Classical, Italian and Catholic hymns

Prides herself

On coming to this country as a child and learning English on her own, going to night school and helping her family out by working at a young age. She traveled across country alone by train in 1942 shortly after being married to see Sal who was stationed in Hawaii...the first time she traveling alone. She met many wonderful people on that trip and learned many lessons. Connie was a very good cook - her family brags that she made the best Sunday " gravy and meatballs". She had to work 2 jobs after becoming a widow with 4 daughters to care for and she didn't complain...learned to drive and maintain her home even sent her daughters to college. Connie is very Proud of being so resilient, on staying active and always looking at the bright side of things.