



## Mary L. Bushemi

February 11, 1920 - April 29, 2017

Mary L. (Cina) Bushemi, age 97, formerly of Lakes of the Four Seasons, Crown Point, In, passed away at her home in Clermont, FL, on April 29, 2017. She was born in Joliet, IL to Gaspare and Filomena Cina on February 11, 1920. Mary will be remembered as a loving mother, grandmother, aunt and friend. She married Joseph A. Bushemi on April 7, 1945. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, loving husband, sisters, Ann Traina, Rosalie Caravana and brother Ignatius "Babe" Cina. She is survived by her daughters, Joni (Edward) Sepiol of Clermont, FL and Cynthia Bushemi of Lakes of the Four Seasons, three grandchildren, Kimberly (David) Flatt of Clermont, FL, Jeffrey (Jennifer) Sepiol of Zionsville, IN and Michael Vaidik of Crown Point, great granddaughters, Allyson and Avery Flatt and Grace, Ella and Kate Sepiol along with many nieces and nephews. After graduating from Froebel High School in Gary, her working career began as a buyer for Hudson's Clothing Store. During her early years of marriage, she worked at the US Army PX/Commissary in Atlantic City, NJ while her husband served in the military. Years later, she began a career with Montgomery Ward in the Village Shopping Center in Gary as a cosmetician and later at Century Mall in Merrillville in furniture sales. Mary was a member of the American Italian Benevolent Society Women's Club, a longtime member of St. Mark's Parish in Glen Park and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Valparaiso. Visitation will be held from 10-11 a.m. prior to the Mass of Christian Burial celebrating her life on Saturday, July 8, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church,

509 W. Division Rd., Valparaiso, with the Rev. Doug Mayer officiating. There will be a private burial at a later date. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations in her memory be made to Compassionate Care Hospice, at 214 East Washington Street, Suite C, Minneola, FL 34715. Burns Funeral Home, Crown Point entrusted with arrangements. On line condolences may be shared with the family at [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Calumet Park Cemetery

2305 W. 73rd Ave.  
Merrillville, IN 46410

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St Elizabeth Ann Seton Church  
509 W Division Rd  
Valparaiso, IN 46385  
(219) 464-1624

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Bushemi family of Aunt Mary I send my condolences to all of you. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. I will always remember her beautiful smile and how much she loved her family. God bless Nannette Bushemi Copeland

Nannett Bushemi Copeland - July 08, 2017 at 10:44 AM

DF

“ Dean Gregoline and the Gregoline family purchased the Garden of Serenity Bouquet for the family of Mary L. Bushemi.



Dean Gregoline and the Gregoline family - July 05, 2017 at 09:21 PM

DG

“ Some people come into our live and leave footprints on our hearts and we are never the same. Some people move our souls to dance. Some people make the sky more beautiful to gaze upon. Some people awaken us with the passing whisper of their wisdom. Mary Bushemi was all of these people. May she rest in eternal peace. Sincere, condolences to the Cindy and Joni and the entire Sepiol/ Bushemi and Flatt families.

dean gregoline - July 02, 2017 at 05:53 PM



Thank you Dean, such beautiful words for mom.

Cindy Bushemi - July 03, 2017 at 12:20 AM

JO

*Dean, your love and support through the years have meant so much. Thank you for always making mom laugh and the kindness you have always shown her.*

**Joni** - July 05, 2017 at 06:56 PM

MT

*We are so blessed to have such a beautiful angel watching over us. May God be good to your precious soul, Aunt Mary! You will live on forever in our hearts. Our sincerest condolences Cindy, Joni and family. Eternal love, Michelle and Charles 🌻*

**Michelle and Charles Traina** - July 05, 2017 at 11:47 PM

DD

“*Dear Joni & Ed, Kim & family, Jeff & family, Cindy & Michael, We are so sorry to learn of Mary's passing; she was a beautiful person from within & without. We have many happy memories of visiting with her at your home on Augusta Drive-talking & laughing about everything from raising kids to cooking. also remember her cooking & serving great food at the Italian Festival on 61st Ave. She was a blessing to all who knew her. May your memories bring you comfort peace.*  
*Dick & Joan DeLor*

**Dick & Joan DeLor** - July 01, 2017 at 10:31 PM

EZ

*Dear Joni.....the passing of our loved ones is never easy but I know you have great strength within you to make sure her memory lives on. Moms have a special place in our hearts & she will live on forever in yours. Much love & peace to you & your family during these trying times.*  
*As always Edie Smith Zulkowski*

**Edie Smith Zulkowski** - July 02, 2017 at 09:51 AM

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*Thank you Edie, for you sweet words. I appreciate your friendship, especially now.*

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**Joni** - July 05, 2017 at 06:56 PM

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*i remember fiacable family*

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**Thomas fiacable** - December 14, 2025 at 10:00 AM