



Virginia Glesner

September 9, 1932 - May 16, 2025

Virginia Marie Arcella Glesner, 92, passed away peacefully at her home in Norwood, New Jersey on May 16th. Virginia was born and raised in Northvale. Virginia was predeceased by her beloved husband Harold (2015) and their so loved son Warren (1987). She was the daughter of Matilda and Sylvester Arcella, sister to Raymond Arcella, and cousin to Jean Alexiou. She is survived by her cherished granddaughter Talia Glesner Covert (Gabriel Covert), great-grandson (his Nana), Oliver Warren Covert, and her steadfastly loyal daughter-in law, Laurie Glesner. She also leaves behind many nieces, nephews, as well as grand-nieces and nephews, most importantly Lisa Arcella Degnen, who never wavered in her compassion and support. She is also survived by her lifelong friends, Joan and Sam Amorosso, and dear friend and “niece”, Donna Lissi. Her aide, Benedicta, brought light to her life during the last months of her life and cared lovingly for her during her final moments.

Early in her life Virginia had worked as a Barbizon model and hairdresser before returning to college after raising her son. She earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Gerontology from St. Thomas Aquinas in Sparkill and a Master’s Degree in Social Work from the New School in New York City. She was the founding Director of the McGuire Senior Citizen Center in Northvale and was active in New Jersey political campaigns to benefit senior citizens. Her kindness, care, and commitment touched many in Bergen County and beyond. Virginia was devoted to her family and to helping others. Those who

knew Virginia appreciated her Italian meals served along with her entertaining stories shared with whomever came to visit. Her door was always open. She was loved by so many. She and her husband, Harold, showed the strength of their character, and the strength of their faith, after the too early passing of their son Warren.

Visiting hours will be Thursday, May 22, 2025 from 9AM to 10 AM, at the Pizzi Funeral Home, 120 Paris Ave, Northvale, NJ. A Funeral Mass will follow at 10:30 AM at St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church, 199 Walnut St, Northvale, NJ and Interment to follow at Rockland Cemetery, Sparkill, NY.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Vermont Children's Trust Foundation, to which Virginia donated in memory of her son, and where her granddaughter is a Board Member

Vermont Children's Trust Foundation, 95 St. Paul Street. STE 330, Burlington, VT 05401 www.vtchildrenstrust.org

Cemetery Details

Rockland Cemetery

201 Kings Hwy
Sparkill, NY 10976
(845) 359-0172
info@rocklandcemetery.org
<https://www.rocklandcemetery.org/>

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **22**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Pizzi Funeral Home
120 Paris Ave
Northvale, NJ 07647
<http://pizzifuneralhome.com>

Funeral Mass

MAY **22**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Anthony's Church
199 Walnut St
Northvale, NJ 07647
<https://stanthonysnv.org/>

Burial

MAY **22**. 11:50 AM - 12:50 PM (ET)

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