



# **Teresa Ann Arico**

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### **T**eresa Ann (Cafarelli) Arico June 20, 1954 – June 8, 2025

Teresa Ann Arico, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and friend, passed away peacefully at her home in Millsboro, DE, on June 8, 2025, surrounded by her loving family. She was 70 years old.

Born on June 20, 1954, in New York, NY, Teresa was the daughter of the late George and Violet (Smith) Cafarelli. She devoted much of her professional life to the public school system, where she worked as a dedicated supervisor of food and beverage services. Her commitment to her work reflected the same care and attention she gave to every aspect of her life.

Teresa was a gifted crocheter, and her talent brought warmth and joy to many—she lovingly crafted countless handmade items for her family and friends. Her creativity and generosity were unmatched. The beach was her sanctuary, and she cherished time spent by the shore. Above all, the holidays held a special place in her heart, as they brought her greatest joy: being surrounded by her family.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by those loved and lost. She is survived by her devoted husband, Anthony J. Arico; her son, Eric A. Arico (Jessica) of Pomona, NY; her daughter, Lauren M. Haque (Sajjad) of Millsboro, DE; her brother, Tony Cafarelli of Rehoboth Beach, DE; and her treasured grandson, Ethan A. Haque of Millsboro, DE.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, June 20, 2025, at Watson Funeral Home and Crematorium, 211 S. Washington St., Millsboro, DE 19966, at 11:00 AM, with visitation beginning at 10:00 AM.

Teresa's vibrant spirit, warm heart, and unwavering love for her family will be deeply missed and fondly remembered by all who knew her.



## Obituary

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\*\*\*Florists - please deliver floral arrangements Friday 6/20/2025 by 9 am please.

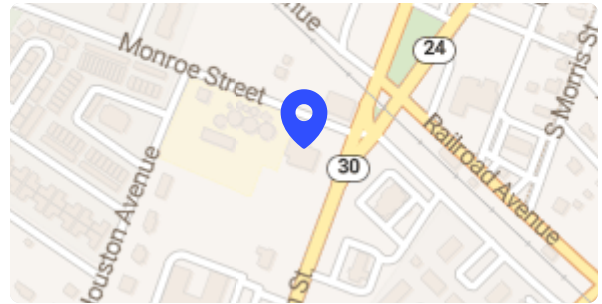


# Events

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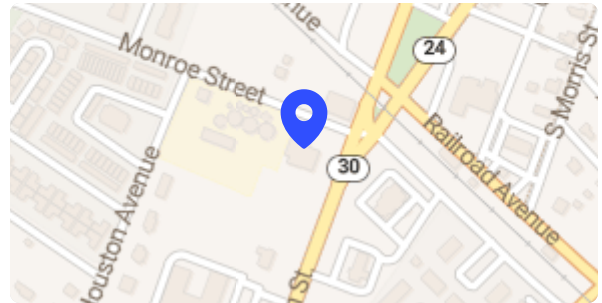
## Visitation

- Friday**, June 20, 2025
- 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET
- Watson Funeral Home & Crematorium**  
211 Washington St, Millsboro DE 19966



## Memorial Service

- Friday**, June 20, 2025
- 11:00 AM ET
- Watson Funeral Home & Crematorium**  
211 Washington St, Millsboro DE 19966





# Tribute Wall

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**Watson Funeral Home & Crematorium** shared an album called **Memories Album**.



June 20 at 8:53 AM



**Love, Rosemary, Diane, Lori, John, & Bob** sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Arico family.



June 19 at 11:30 AM



**Tara, John & Stella Schwamb** sent a Gracious Lavender Basket to the Arico family.



June 18 at 9:54 PM



**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Teresa.



June 18 at 5:07 PM



**Anthony D & David G** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Teresa.



June 18 at 2:54 PM



**Anthony D & David G** sent an Arrive in Style to the Arico family.



June 18 at 2:54 PM



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**Lauren Haque** shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Honestly, I can't pick just one. I don't have a single "fondest" memory because there are so many. My mom was a constant in my life, in all the best ways. She used to text me pretty much every single day, just to check in, say hi, or remind me she loved me. She called me "Doots" my nickname and somehow, in just that one word, there was so much comfort, so much love. She always had my back, no matter what. Even when the world felt uncertain or overwhelming, I knew I could count on her to be in my corner. She was my biggest cheerleader genuinely proud of me, always encouraging me, always lifting me up even when I couldn't see my own worth. Every memory of her is soaked in love the small daily gestures, the laughs we shared, the deep talks, the way she just knew what I needed. I miss her more than words can express. Her presence was a gift, and her absence is a space nothing else can fill. But I carry her with me, in every moment, in every part of who I am. Love you forever, Mama!



June 10 at 8:14 PM



**Reckitt Montvale R&D Family** sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the Arico family.



June 17 at 9:13 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Pink Tribute Spray to the Arico family.



June 16 at 1:13 PM



**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Teresa.



June 16 at 10:31 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Arico family.



June 16 at 10:31 AM



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**Eric Arico** shared 7 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

We sure lost a real one this past Sunday. For those of you that don't already KNOW, My Mom, Teresa Cafarelli-Arico was feisty, outspoken, but most of all, ALWAYS present. If she loved you, she loved you HARD (even if she "didn't LIKE you" at the TIME, haha), and you KNEW it; In FACT, you PROBABly have at LEAST one thing personally crocheted by her that PROVES it- Ma was ALWAYS crocheting SOMething. She was the kind who showed up, SPOKE up, and made EVERYthing FEEL bigger than it actually may have BEEN. During the holidays, there were ALWAYS enough appetizers/snacks, desserts, etc. to feed EACH of the 2,545,000 in The People's Liberation Army. And at Christmas in particular, you could FORGET about getting closer than MAYbe 10 feet from "under" the tree as the ENTIRE LIVING ROOM FLOOR would essentially be a demilitarized zone of Christmas presents for ALL of Mom's loved ones. She LOVED GIVING gifts to those she cared about. In her retirement, Ma LIVED for spending time in her happy place- her and Dad's beach house (or "The Crab House", as my Nephew Ethan, whom she absolutely ADORED would say), sitting on the porch mastering EVERY SINGLE LEVEL of Candy Crush Saga (Seriously, I will NEVER get those jingles out of my head, hahahaha), OR at the bay itself, sitting in her beach chair reading and listening to the waves in the background. We certainly had some times there filled with sun, compelling conversations and, of course, FOOD- I will NEVER forgot Mom's voice yelling from the porch at 6:30 PM a punto EVERY night, "Dinner!" I WILL miss her as there SURELY will be a HUGE void from this point moving forward that can NEVER be filled; But I DO take solace in KNOWING that she's now somewhere peaceful; probably wearing flip flops and PROBABly aREADY ("over"? )decorating for the next holiday ☐ Love you/miss you aREADY "Ma"; "See you when I see you!"



June 10 at 8:14 PM



**Sherry Mcgill** lit a candle in honor of Teresa.

My prayers and condolences to the family. I worked with her at Willow Grove Middle School. She was very nice. May she SIHP!



June 16 at 9:04 AM



**Vinny M.** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Teresa.



June 15 at 7:26 PM



## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** sent a Sweet Sincerity to the Arico family.

June 13 at 12:07 PM



**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Teresa.

June 13 at 12:07 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Arico family.

June 11 at 7:56 PM



**Sylvia Spatta** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Teresa.

June 11 at 6:00 PM



**Sylvia Spatta** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Arico family.

June 11 at 6:00 PM



**Raymond Portante** posted:

Teresa (TC to the kids in our Bronx neighborhood) was a beautiful girl who captured the hearts of us all. She was my first love ❤️ and the memories of our childhood will stay with me forever. May God keep her safe!!

June 11 at 2:00 PM



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**Love Marybeth Bender And Jack Hewitt** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Teresa.

June 11 at 12:48 PM



**Love Marybeth Bender And Jack Hewitt** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Arico family.

June 11 at 12:48 PM



**Larry And Anna Mottola** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Teresa.

June 10 at 8:17 PM



**Anonymous** lit a candle in honor of Teresa.

Teresa and I were friends in Grammar school will always remember her great smile and deep laugh. Sweet soul. Sweet heart The better people are being called home Rest well Teresa

June 10 at 8:14 PM





# Media

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**Watson Funeral Home & Crematorium** shared a video to the **Memories Album** June 20 at 8:53 AM album.



Slideshow



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Lauren Haque shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

June 18 at 2:22 PM





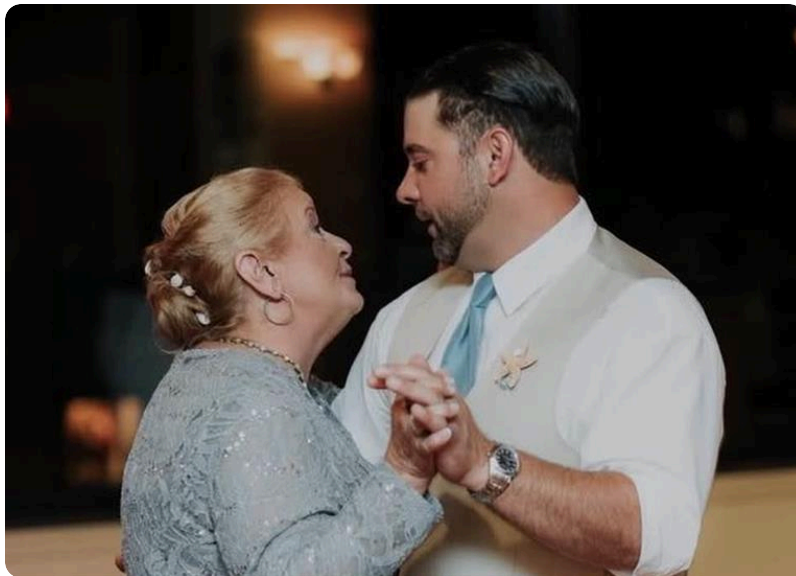
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June 16 at 10:18 AM





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## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Teresa by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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