



## Maria Jule Bruno

February 1, 1929 - March 31, 2021

Maria Jule Bruno ( also known as Myra and MyMy) was Born February 1, 1929 in her mother's home in Brooklyn New York. She was the daughter of the late Josephine Chiavetta and Joseph Strano. Maria, a 21-year resident of Rocklin, California, passed away on March 31, 2021 with her family by her side.

After graduating high school in New York, Myra attended The Brooklyn School of Nursing where she earned her Nursing degree. Myra received many accolades for her outstanding academic performance as well as her clinical skills. Myra's gift of compassion and empathy helped her heal many patients both in New York and California.

As if going through Nursing School while working at a TB hospital was not enough, Myra also became one of the first female Lifeguards at Coney Island Beach, NY. She was a fantastic swimmer and loved the ocean. The movie industry sought her out to be in a movie to swim with Ester Williams, but her mother said, "No". So thankfully, Myra continued to focus on Nursing.

In 1957, Myra moved from New York to Saratoga California. While taking a friend to a Podiatry appointment, she met her friend's doctor, Frank Bruno. They quickly fell in love and within a couple months of dating, Frank and Myra were married at Sacred Heart Church in Saratoga, California on July 21,

1957. Myra will be dearly missed by her surviving husband of 63 years, Dr. Frank Bruno

Myra was Blessed with a family who adored her. In the first 3 years of marriage, they had 3 children, and the 4th came along 11 years after the first. Robert (Patricia) Bruno; Deborah (Roc) Murray; Venise (Matthew) Taaffe; and the youngest, Frank Bruno. In the last 35 years, Myra's life revolved around her Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren. Michael (Noelle) Murray, Scott (Olivia) Murray, Megan Taaffe, and her two great grandchildren Maddison Murray and Miles Murray. She was also loved by her special niece, Tara Scaduto, who she helped raise for several years. There are many other cousins, nieces, nephews and in-laws who she loved, and they loved her.

Myra devoted much of her time to caring for her family. She was selfless. She instilled values in her children including hard work, caring, kindness, honesty and humility. Myra was always proud of her children's accomplishments, but ultimately, she just wanted them to all be happy. She had a special place in her heart for her 2 son-in-law's Roc and Matt. They loved her unconditionally. Myra always put others first, and shared her generosity with anyone in need. She had the uncanny ability to reach people in a positive way. Myra always looked for the good in people, and found it. The most often used comment about Myra is, "She is one in a million". Any time people got to spend with her, always felt like a Blessing.

Her skills were many, but Myra was best known for her artistic abilities, especially in the world of needle arts in which she earned a Mastery Degree. Secondly, she was known for her incredible ability to make delicious food. She always made everyone's "favorite" dish, because she loved to serve and make people happy. Never would you come to the house and not smell something fantastic cooking. The next thing you would hear was, "Mangia". At which point you would sit down to enough food to feed an army. She truly took joy in

seeing people enjoy the meal, but mostly loved the company while sitting around the table together.

If not found working on one of her art pieces or cooking, Myra would often be found on the phone talking to her loved ones. Her New York cousins Kathi and Yolaine would talk till 2 in the morning like it was the middle of the day. Myra would have a way of consoling and advising by just saying what was in her heart.

This would not be complete without mentioning Myra's love of animals. Our family home in Saratoga was a mini farm with chickens, roosters, ducks, cockatiels, parrots, chinchillas, turtles, and of course her beloved dogs. There were always 2-3 dogs at all times, that were treated with kindness and respect. It is comforting to know, she is now with her loved ones that have passed, and her dogs in heaven.

Myra will be remembered and loved by many, and will be in our hearts forever. There will be a Catholic Mass service for Myra on Friday, April 9th at 4:00pm at Saints Peter & Paul Church, Located at 4450 Granite Drive, Rocklin, CA. There will be a reception at her daughters' home in Rocklin, following the service. Myra will be laid to rest at Madronia Cemetery, Saratoga California, at a later date.

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

APR 9. 4:00 PM (PT)

Saints Peter & Paul Catholic  
4450 Granite Drive  
Rocklin, CA 95677

# Tribute Wall

MM

“ I have started typing this multiple times over the past few weeks, but nothing seems adequate to express what Grandma Myra means to me and my family. She was a special person to me for 35 years, my wife for a decade +, and my children from the time they were born. We feel like a void has been made in our lives. In a situation like this, Grandma Myra was the person I would talk to. When I was feeling down, she was always the person I could talk to. This is why she was so special to so many people- she was always there for you.

Over the last 8 years, I have watched her build a special relationship with my children (her great grandchildren). The relationship I see is similar to what my brother Scott and I had with Grandma Myra as kids ourselves. To Maddy and Miles, MyMy was the world. I am extremely grateful that they were blessed with the time they had together. The arts and crafts, the games, the meals, the learning, the long talks, the overall quality time spent with MyMy helped create the personalities for Maddison and Miles. With the amount of time spent between Maddison and MyMy this last decade, I see a lot of Grandma Myra in my daughters personality, in addition to matching middle names. The way Maddison is able to rattle off MyMy life stories with the same mannerisms as Grandma Myra, it makes me feel like my Grandma is still here. Miles still will not let anyone outside MyMy call him "little monkey" and dreams about MyMy in heaven with Rocky and all her dogs. For my wife, she was instantly one of Myras grandkids. Noelle felt like she had another grandma in Myra, and to no surprise, Myra would spend hours talking to Noelle's biological grandma over the phone on everything from Great Grandkids to a heavy dose of politics. Grandma Myra was all about family, and everyone who spent time with her instantly felt like family whether related or not.

Grandma Myra was the toughest person I have ever met. She overcame much heartbreak in her life. Many called her "Saint Myra" as she really had been through it all, and kept fighting while giving everything she had to everyone else. She fought until the end to get

*home to the family. I can't say how grateful I am to my mother Debbie and father Roc for being there with her every step of the way, fighting to keep her healthy and alive for decades. Grandma felt like she had a partner with my mom in her constant fight, and in doing so, my Grandmas life was extended to the point where she had the opportunity to spend quality time with the next generation and see numerous family milestones. Grandma fought because family was always the most important thing to her, and she cherished every second she spent with us. No matter how much pain she was in, she always was tough and wouldn't show it. Her toughness is a similar trait to her husband, my Grandpa Frank. Grandpa Frank and I are speaking often about Grandma, and I can feel his pain, but he stays tough. He brings a level of strength in this situation that comforts everyone around him. It pains me to see what he is going through, but like grandma, the family is here for him.*

*Grandma Myra/ MyMy was a special person, an inspiration, and an example of who you should strive to be. Family meant everything to her, and even those not related felt like "family". The relationships she built will be forever remembered. The last thing she said to me was "tell the family I love them." We all love you too Grandma and we miss you. You will not be forgotten, and you will live on through all of us.*

*Mike, Noelle, Maddison, and Miles Murray*

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**Mike Murray** - April 19, 2021 at 01:15 PM

HR

“ *My thoughts, love and prayers go with you.*”



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**Helen Ridgers** - April 19, 2021 at 07:17 AM

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“ Rocanddebbie lit a candle in memory of Maria Jule Bruno



rocanddebbie - April 07, 2021 at 08:41 AM



“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Murray Family Funeral Chapel - April 05, 2021 at 05:10 PM

YF

*My cousin Myra was the most beautiful human being I've ever met both inside and out. Her compassion, love and wisdom was a special gift she received from God. She loved her family and always enjoyed people visiting her (both near and far) and welcomed them into her home with open arms. She was an exceptionally talented woman creating masterpieces of artwork (needlepoint) as well as designing beautiful pieces of jewelry. My memories of her will live on forever in my heart. Though we have lost an angel, God has welcomed her with open arms and gave her the gift to continue her work in heaven next to him and her loved ones. You have touched so many lives in so many ways and will truly be missed. My sweet cousin Rest In Peace. Love you always, Yolaine ❤️*

Yolaine San Filippo - April 07, 2021 at 01:54 AM

TB

*Myra...aka Mrs. Bruno to me, was one great lady! Debbie and I have been friends since middle school and I spent many days at the Bruno house on La Paloma. My memories are of arriving to a bustling home with lots of talking and the smell of something amazing coming from the kitchen!! Mrs. Bruno was such a lively person and as a "kid" I felt like she was always interested in me.. She really looked at you when she talked to you and asked lots question. She made you feel important. When Debbie and I started really getting into competitive gymnastics, Mrs. Bruno and that cute Frankie never missed a meet! Always there as our cheerleaders and keeping all the scores so we knew how we were doing. Even though it's been awhile since I've seen her she is forever etched in my memory with fondness. Sending love and hugs to Debbie and the whole family. Rest in Peace... Tracy Budge*

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**Tracy Budge** - April 08, 2021 at 01:22 PM

KC

*Rest in peace Auntie Myra. You will surely be missed. Lynne and I enjoyed your hospitality when we came to visit you and Uncle Frank after our high school graduation. The smell of your freshly brewed coffee in the morning is a memory I will never forget. You will forever be remember as a class act and a beautiful person inside and out.*

*Kristin Correa-Harrington*

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**Kristin L Correa-Harrington** - April 22, 2021 at 12:51 PM

KF

*It has been difficult for me to gather my feelings and write about my cousin's passing. Even now I feel my eyes welling up. Myra was my cousin, godmother and friend. I could always count on her to listen when we talked. She seemed to instinctively know the right thing to do. I learned a lot from her during our many conversations. Myra was naturally beautiful. She had an inner beauty as well that was expressed through loving kindness and a nurturing spirit. She was very creative making beautiful needlepoint and beadwork. I would be remiss if I didn't mention her cooking. Myra was a wonderful cook - she would always make my favorite meal when I visited. She loved her family and her pets. I will truly miss her.*

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**Kathi Filter** - April 30, 2021 at 11:20 PM