



Marie Papulias-Cook

April 1, 1932 - January 21, 2023

Marie Papulias-Cook of Fresno, California lived 90 wonderful years and went home to be with the Lord on the morning of January 21, 2023. She was surrounded by her loved ones at the time of her death.

Marie was born on April 1, 1932 to Frank and Josephine Williams in Worcester, Massachusetts. The family moved to the west side of Fresno in 1934 to a neighborhood that was known as Little Italy. She attended Saint Alphonsus Elementary School and Edison High School. In 1962 Marie and her husband Alex founded Pappy Meat Company Inc. Marie's dedicated work ethic came from the fact that she loved being with family. Alex and Marie raised five kids and she helped her children open and run Pappy's Fine Foods after the passing of Alexander. Marie loved working with her five children and was excited to come to work every day.

Marie is preceded in death by her parents, her sister Bette Antenucci and her husbands Alexander Papulias and Marvin Cook.

She is survived by her loving children Leonard, Keith, Trish, Theodore and Edward. Marie valued family above all and was blessed with thirteen grandchildren, nineteen great grandchildren, one great-great grandchild as well as numerous nieces, nephews and extended family.

Marie was beloved by many. Some of her favorite evenings were spent going out to dinner with friends, attending the opera, and most important to her every holiday surrounded by family. She was a very generous woman and gave back to the community. She was one of the founding members of the Saint Agnes Women's Foundation and generously supported Saint George Greek Orthodox Church and the Fresno Opera just to name a few of the great causes that were important to her.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at Saint Anthony of Padua Catholic Church on Friday, February 10, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

FEB 10. 10:00 AM (PT)

Saint Anthony of Padua Catholic Church
5770 N. Maroa Avenue
Fresno, CA 93704

Tribute Wall



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marie Papulias-Cook.*



February 07, 2023 at 12:45 AM



“ *Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Marie Papulias-Cook.*



February 06, 2023 at 10:18 PM



“ *I will miss wishing her Happy Birthday on each April 1st Marie was a very special friend with whom I have had many cherished memories for many years. Marie was an inspiration to all of us who had the privilege to know her. There is now a bright shining star in heaven named Marie. Blessings and condolences to the family. Love you all*

Helen Chuhlantseff - February 03, 2023 at 01:00 PM