



Carmela Jean Chiuchiolo

October 24, 1934 - June 14, 2025

Carmela Jean Chiuchiolo passed away peacefully in her sleep Saturday, June 14, 2025. She was a resident at Catholic Eldercare in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Carmela was born in Brooklyn, New York City on October 24, 1934. As a child, Carmela's family moved to Rahway, New Jersey where she lived until she married in 1956. Raising three children, Debbie, Frank and Glen, all left New Jersey in 1972 permanently and moved to Florida. Carmela met Michael Chiuchiolo, her second husband, in 1978 and were together for over forty years. After Michael's passing in 2020, Carmela moved to Minneapolis to be closer to family. Carmela enjoyed the warm weather of Florida, bingo, shopping and movies. She was a big fan of Frank Sinatra and Tony Bennett. A lifelong homemaker and Italian cook, she especially enjoyed holidays where she could make the day special for family.

Carmela was preceded in death by her daughter, Debbie; and husband, Michael. She is survived by her sons, Frank Zaros (Dorothy) and Glen Zaros (Pauline); four grandchildren, Lauren, Anna, Danielle, Mia; three great-grandchildren; Simon, Naomi and Oliva.