

OBITUARY

Barbara Bruno Castronovo, 67, passed away at home in Jackson, NJ on Tuesday, April 3, 2012. Born on March 14, 1945 to Rosario "Max" and Martha "Dolly" Bruno, in Brooklyn, NY. Barbara graduated from New Utrecht High School in Brooklyn in 1962. She married Dominick "Don" Castronovo in Brooklyn on October 2, 1966. They started family life in Staten Island, and then made their home in Long Valley, NJ. Barbara owned and operated "Barbara's Pantry" in the Hackettstown Mall and was active in the Long Valley Newcomers Club and Gourmet Club. Her neighbors, friends and family will always remember her creative and often hilarious parties, her jokes, her amazing cooking, her care-free attitude, her intense love of family and friends and her keen interest in everything from wildlife to politics. Barbara and Don retired to Jackson, NJ where Barbara competed in bocce tournaments, enjoyed playing cards with friends, volunteered at her local food bank and was a faithful parishioner of St. Aloysius Church.

Barbara is survived by her loving husband, Don; her devoted children, Danielle Wheeler and husband Scott, and Paul Castronovo and wife Amy; her three grandchildren, Zachary and Cole Wheeler and Katie Castronovo, and her sisters, Maria Sconzo and Anna Concu.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend her visitation on Monday, April 9, 2012, from 2-4 and 7-9 PM at the George S. Hassler Funeral Home, 980 Bennetts Mills Rd., Jackson Twp., NJ 08527 (732-364-6808). A funeral gathering will be offered on Tuesday, April 10, 2012, at 8:30 AM at the funeral home. Her Funeral Liturgy will follow at 9:30 AM at St. Aloysius Roman Catholic Church, 935 Bennetts Mills Rd., Jackson, NJ. Interment to follow in Our Lady of the Mountain Cemetery, 2 East Springtown Rd., Long Valley, NJ. The family requests that donations be made to the American Heart Association at www.donate.americanheart.org or to your local food bank. For further information and directions, please visit www.hasslerfuneralhome.com.

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NAME: Castronovo, Barbara (nee Bruno)

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