

## OBITUARY

Arlene Mergner, 71, of Hackettstown, N.J., passed away at her home surrounded by her loving family on Sunday, June 17, 2012. A viewing will be held on Wednesday, June 20, 2012, from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. at the Cochran Funeral Home, 905 High St., Hackettstown N.J. 07840. A Mass will be offered Thursday, June 21, 2012, at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Nutley, N.J. Burial will follow at Glendale Cemetery, Bloomfield, N.J. Mrs. Mergner was born July 18, 1940, in Newark, N.J., to Frank and Helen (Rizzolo) Bongo. Arlene graduated from Barringer High School in 1958 and later attended Warren County College. She worked at M&M Mars prior to obtaining her real estate license and working at Centennial Real Estate in Hackettstown for several years. She enjoyed gardening, reading, genealogy, antiquing, family dinners and spending time at the beach, especially with her two grandsons. Mrs. Mergner is survived by her sister, Rosemary Stanko; sons, Don DalCielo and Robert Stanko; daughters, Elena Mergner and Tami Jensen; son-in-law, John Jensen; two grandsons who were her pride and joy, John and Chris Jensen. She was preceded in death by her mother, Helen Bongo; nephews, Michael and David Stanko, and niece, Lori Stanko. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the [American Cancer Society](#), 6725 Lyon St., P.O. Box 7, East Syracuse, N.Y. 13057.

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