



## Maureen C Miller

June 3, 2024

Maureen Miller (80) of Hackensack, New Jersey, previously of Bergenfield and Fairview, passed away on June 3, 2024.

Maureen was born to Russell and Mary Miller (nee Moschella) on October 4, 1943 in Englewood, New Jersey. Maureen grew up in Fairview, receiving all sacraments at Our Lady of Grace church, attending #3 and Lincoln Schools and graduating from Cliffside Park High School. After high school she graduated from the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York City and worked as a pattern maker in the Garment District. Maureen was a pioneer in her field and had the opportunity to create patterns for the designers of celebrities and political dignitaries.

While raising her children, Maureen worked for Bergen County Special Services and Bergen County Technical Schools. Through hard work and dedication she rose to be the Supervisor of the Custodial and Maintenance Staff during her 34-year career.

Maureen was a pillar in her community, serving as an active member in both Bergenfield's Junior Women's and Women's Clubs, where she established long-lasting friendships over the years with her Junior ladies. She loved sewing and was extremely talented. She could build or fix anything, was detail-oriented, and a problem solver that knew how to get things done. In retirement, Maureen spent time doing the things she loved. This included staying in the Catskill Mountains of Callicoon, New York with family—and attending the dance of the Giglio statue, in Williamsburg, Brooklyn at Our

Lady of Mount Carmel's Saint Paulinus Feast. She truly took advantage of every moment and never missed an opportunity to savor in life's simple joys, like a crisp candied apple.

What Maureen will be remembered for most is her love of family. She brought us all together and immensely enjoyed hosting the family's annual events, including the Christmas Eve Italian fishes feast, Palm Sunday, countless birthdays and the famed Halloween party, which has been running for 58 years. She knew it was important to keep the family traditions alive and passed them down to the next generation. She was a wonderful cook and baker, and would not let Thanksgiving or Christmas go by without baking her family-favorite batches of chocolate chip and oatmeal cookies. The many specialties she perfected were her chocolate cake, carrot cake, crumb cake and peach cobbler, not to mention her home-made cavatelli, lasagna and of course her savory Sunday "Gravy".

Maureen was a devoted mother, grandmother and aunt. She loved attending special events for all of her children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews. When she wasn't cheering on her family, she could be found rooting for the New York Yankees, watching Hallmark channel and classic movies or listening to Barbra Streisand, Barry Manilow and Johnny Mathis.

Maureen is survived by her two sons Michael Palumbo and daughter-in-law Rita (nee Remy), grandson Alec; Steven Palumbo and daughter-in-law Casey (nee Phillips), granddaughter Alexis, as well as many nieces, nephews and friends who were always in her heart.

Maureen is predeceased by her father Russell Charles Miller, mother Mary (nee Moschella), and sister, Sandra Talamini.

Funeral services will be held at:

Barrett-Leber Funeral Home

148 Dean Drive

Tenafly, NJ 07670

Thursday, June 6th 3-5 PM & 7-9 PM.

Church services will be held at:

Our Lady of Grace Church

395 Delano Place

Fairview, NJ 07022

Friday, June 7th 9:30 AM.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 6. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Barrett Leber Funeral Home  
148 Dean Dr  
Tenafly, NJ 07670  
(201) 568-8043  
<https://www.barrettleberfuneralhome.com/>

## Visitation

JUN 6. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Barrett Leber Funeral Home  
148 Dean Dr  
Tenafly, NJ 07670  
(201) 568-8043  
<https://www.barrettleberfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Mass

JUN 7. 9:30 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Grace RC Church  
395 Delano Place  
Fairview, NJ 07022

## Interment

JUN 7 (ET)

Fairview Cemetery



# Tribute Wall

JM

“ Steve, I'm so sorry for your loss, I did not know about this terrible loss until last week, please express my sincere sympathy and condolences to your family, your mother was a very nice lady, WITH DEEPEST REGRET, SINCERELY, JIM MASTRICOVA

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**JIM MASTRICOVA** - June 27, 2024 at 12:11 PM

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“ I was so happy to spend time with Maureen. She was a force of nature, a warm, street smart, woman with a terrific sense of humor and a great love of family. Also, Maureen was an adventurer. She loved horses. And Las Vegas. She and Rita came out to the farm to meet my horse, Sophie. Maureen told me that when she went to Las Vegas, she would get up at 4am and go horseback riding before the desert heat had a chance to interfere with a nice ride. Now that's impressive. I remember that when she met my Sophie, a barn cat ran across the field. Maureen could have done without that cat. Not a cat fan. Also, Maureen was an executive who held her own in a man's world. Having worked in public school buildings, one of sthe first things I learned is that the custodian is the one with the power. Make sure you give that one respect. Well that person was Maureen. She had a vast knowledge and expertise in how things work and how to get them fixed...and I'm sure that the guys who worked under her management, jumped when she said, "jump." I used to sit next to her at gatherings and I loved to hear her stories and banter with her family. This is a heartbreaking loss for the family. Donnie and I are sending our condolences and love to the Palumbo family. And I'm grateful for having known this remarkable lady. Blessings. (from Elizabeth Rose)

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**ELIZABETH ROSE** - June 16, 2024 at 06:56 AM

PS

“ *Maureen was a classy, lovely lady of Family lady.  
She will be missed Greatly*

Patrick Shelley - June 06, 2024 at 02:15 PM

TF

“ *The Helm Family purchased the Ocean Breeze S  
pray for the family of Maureen C Miller.*



The Helm Family - June 05, 2024 at 02:43 PM

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“ *The Helm Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maureen C Miller.*

The Helm Family - June 05, 2024 at 02:43 PM

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“ *The Acquafredda and Metz Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maureen C Miller.*

The Acquafredda and Metz Family - June 05, 2024 at 02:05 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for  
the family of Maureen C Miller.*



June 05, 2024 at 02:05 PM

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“ Blessed with 50 years of friendship, from Juniors to BNO what an amazing journey, the Broadway shows, the breakfast bagels, the joy of seeing all of our children married and the wonderful grandbabies, our love of the NY Yankees (two of us, out of the eight) your epic Halloween parties, the laughter and tears, rest in peace, forever friend knowing you were loved and will be missed💔💔💔💔

Noreen Regina - June 05, 2024 at 01:12 PM

NO

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Noreen - June 05, 2024 at 12:18 PM

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“ I haven't seen you in so long but will always remember our young days in Fairview they were the best of time and I will always hold them with you dear to my heart!❤️ RIP

Roseann Antine Nesci - June 05, 2024 at 11:54 AM

YB

“ Your Family at BEC & BPI planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maureen C Miller.

Your Family at BEC & BPI - June 05, 2024 at 09:33 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Maureen C Miller.*



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June 05, 2024 at 09:33 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Maureen C Miller.*



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June 05, 2024 at 07:05 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Maureen C Miller.*



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June 04, 2024 at 08:05 PM



“ *Maureen was my very first friend in Bergenfield and brought me to join the juniors in 1975. We met while our toddlers cried at preschool at Old South Church and we had to stand where they could at least see our legs/feet. Great way to gain a new wonderful friend. I will always miss you Maureen. Be at peace. Love, Carol*

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**Carol Restivo** - June 04, 2024 at 06:06 PM