



Lucy Constance Nunziata Garcia

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Lucia Constance Nunziata Garcia, known as Lucy to her friends, died Sunday, June 30, 2019, at the age of 98.

Born in Brooklyn, New York of Italian immigrants whose names are memorialized on Ellis Island. Lucy moved to Charlotte North Carolina to be near her grandchildren.

Lucy was the youngest and the last of four sisters: Josephine Alonge, Constance DeNardo, and Frances Celli. Lucy had loved life and spread her joy to everyone she met. She had a big smile that could light up a room and a warm welcoming hug for everyone.

She enjoyed having her friends and family sitting at her table enjoying her Italian cooking. She also had a passion for gardening which was evident in the beautiful flowers, vegetables and rose gardens that greeted you at her home.

Lucy was constantly busy and when she finally did sit down she was known to surround herself with math books spending hours solving equations and recording her solutions which she enjoyed and felt so proud.

Lucy had been a teacher and assistant principal at Notre Dame elementary school in New York, and later worked at Bren Mar Park elementary school, finally retiring in her late 80s. Her love for helping children continued and she volunteered even in her 90's at Cabarrus Charter School where her two great-granddaughters attended where she could fill her heart by giving them a wave every day.

Her family was her pride and joy. Lucy is survived by her daughter, Mary Frances, her two granddaughters; Brigitte (Brian) and Susan, and her two great-granddaughters; Alyssa and Gabriella. Lucy was a loving wife for 57 years to her husband Mario, now deceased, and a doting mother, grandmother and great grandmother.



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Family, friends, and others whose lives Lucy touched are invited to commemorate her life on Saturday, July 13, 2019, at James Funeral Home at 10520 Arahova Drive, Huntersville, North Carolina beginning at 2:30 PM. A Memorial Service will follow beginning promptly at 3:30 PM.

James Funeral Home is serving the family and condolences may be sent to them through our website at www.jamesfuneralhomelkn.com.






Events

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Visitation

-  **Saturday**, July 13, 2019
-  2:30 PM - 3:20 PM ET
-  **James Funeral Home**
10520 Arahova Dr, Huntersville NC 28078



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Tribute Wall

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Maria shared an album called **Memories Album**.



September 4 at 10:45 AM



Julianne Green posted:

Oh I am so sorry to see this..Lucy was a love and such an inspiration to so many. I worked with her at Bren Mar Park and was so in awe of her "just get it done" spirit. Blessings to her family, the world lost a real treasure..

August 5 at 2:39 PM



Joy Watkins posted:

Lucy was a treasure to all that were lucky enough to know her. I worked with Lucy at Bren Park Elementary School. She always had a friendly smile and an offer to help. She didn't know how to sit still and was always asking, sometimes begging for work to do. Don't you have papers I can grade? Something that needs organizing? She loved to stay busy and she loved knowing that she was making your life a little bit easier. And she did make a difference! If she was the one organizing your test materials you could be sure you had everything you needed and that all the pencils would be sharpened. She was very attentive to details. I kept in touch with Lucy over the years and Phuong and I went down to visit her once to celebrate her upcoming 90th birthday. We hadn't seen her in a while so it was great to catch up and see her lovely house in NC. During that visit Lucy pulled out her math notebooks to show us. She often worked on algebra. She worked a problem in the book and then compared her work to the answer in the back. If the answers matched, she moved on. If her answer was different, she sought help or kept at it until she figured out why her answer was different. She was a lifelong learner who liked to keep her mind active by taking her knowledge to the next level. Lucy was a strong lady who lived through a lot of pain in her later years with dignity and positive thinking. I enjoyed keeping up with her on the phone but missed seeing that beautiful smile. We miss you Lucy but are comforted to know that you are now with Mario.

July 25 at 9:40 AM



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JW

Jill W. posted:

Lucy was a genuine joy to know. Her friendship and love have meant the world to me and my family. Her support both personally and professionally is a gift. To share a cute memory, Lucy and I would always see which one of us "won" in the Multiplication Mad 3 Minutes that I gave to my class. Many times it was Lucy! And we always smiled when we finished. And yes, she had a heart of gold.

July 24 at 5:08 AM

JB

Joy B. posted:

I was sorry to hear about Lucy's passing. I was one of her Bren Mar Park Elementary School colleagues. My fondest memory of Lucy is that she and I along with Mr. Pearson, the custodian, opened the school every morning at around 6:15 AM. Lucy was incredibly devoted to the children and staff. She worked countless extra hours to help everyone. While many folks avoided covering classes in an emergency, Lucy was in her element. She had a natural ability to achieve the perfect balance between being firm, while relaying an "I love you" message. As a result, she commanded respect and easily managed the most difficult groups. As a professional, I admired Lucy. More importantly, as a friend, I loved her. Rest n peace, my friend. Joy Bovernick

July 23 at 4:58 AM

RR

Robin J Rubio posted:

When I came to Bren Mar Park as the reading teacher, "Lucy" and I shared a room. I called her "Mrs. Garcia" because that's how I was raised. 😊 Mrs. Garcia was very meticulous, so I stayed on my p's and q's about not making a mess in the room I shared with her. We got along quite well. I remember when I went to visit her after her husband died, and she was so proud to show me around her home, especially the basement where she'd organized all the tools, etc. She was the dearest person. I used to think, I hope I can be as sharp and on the ball when I get to be her age. I loved Mrs. Garcia and she is fondly remembered. May God bless all her family and may it bring a smile to your face when you think of all the people, like me, whose lives she touched in such a profound way.—Robin J. Rubio

July 22 at 8:35 PM



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MO

Maria Ortiz posted:

Lucy and I worked together for a few years before we became close friends after her beloved husband Mario passed away. She was admired by all for being extremely industrious. I admired her loyalty as a friend and her positive attitude. Lucy never said an unkind word to me in all the years of our friendship. She never complained and if she was ever in pain or sad she quickly brushed it off and kept working tirelessly. Lucy had a beautiful garden at home, loved math and was proud of her ability to rewire and fix a lamp, a skill she learned from her father. We spent a lot of time together and she often talked about the wonderful parents she was fortunate to have. She was the youngest in the sisters and was close to them. Lucy also spoke proudly of her daughter, granddaughters and twin great granddaughters. Dearest friend, we say goodbye, we were fortunate to have you in our lives even if now we mourn. We will never forget you. Maria

July 22 at 4:53 PM

RL

Rita Lockwood posted:

My Dear sweet Lucy, how much fun we had together in the work rooms. Lucy was always so kind about asking about my Mother who lived in England when I went home to visit there. On one of my birthdays Lucy gave me a card (we didn't do gifts) and in side was a dollar bill. When I asked what is this for, She told me, "that is so you will never be down to your last dollar". I never did spend it. It is folded up and put in a safe place and its still there with Lucy's name on it. Lucy was a lovely special lady and was loved by all, staff and students. God Bless her soul. Rita Lockwood

July 22 at 3:27 PM

KP

Kay Perret posted:

I worked with Lucy for many years at Bren Mar Park Elementary. She was such a beautiful person and great worker. She always did so much extra to help the children and staff at the school. I remember her 80th birthday. She was still working and helping others. I loved Lucy. My condolences to her family. I know she will be missed. Kay Perret

July 22 at 3:25 PM



Anonymous sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Garcia family.



July 8 at 7:57 AM



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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Garcia family.



July 4 at 1:25 PM



Phuong Hoang posted:

When I was an Instructional Assistant at Bren Mar Park ES, Lucy and I shared a room together. Of course, Lucy was more organized and neat so I try to keep my space almost as clean! We would talk about the kids and her love of learning math. Joy Watkins and I spent time with Lucy in her home (Charlotte, NC) before her 90th birthday and naturally we had to learn some more math...think it was algebra. Funny fact...occasionally in the math room at Bren Mar Park, we would come across a ruler, calculator or pencil and I would recognize her handwriting as she labeled everything for us. :)Through the years, she always asked about my family especially about my girls. I was a new mom and Lucy would listen and give me her listening ears about everything.You are a dear to everyone's heart, Lucy Garcia! Rest peacefully!Phuong Hoang

July 3 at 8:23 PM



Daniellebsd@Yahoo.Com posted:

Every time we walked into Aunt Lucy's house she had food at the table. My greatest memory is when Aunt Lucy Invited me to stay the night at her house. We played games and ate all night.

July 3 at 7:26 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Garcia family.



July 2 at 4:47 PM



Media

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Maria shared a photo to the **Memories Album** album.

September 4 at 10:45 AM



We will never forget you Lucy.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Lucy by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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