



## Joan Ann DeLuca

June 17, 1936 - December 24, 2024

Joan Ann DeLuca, 88, of Ocala, Florida, passed away peacefully in her home on December 24, 2024. Joan Ann was born in Elizabeth, New Jersey, to Thomas and Mary Caivano on June 17, 1936. She attended Batten High School in Elizabeth and graduated in 1954. She went on to earn her RN degree from Elizabeth General Hospital School of Nursing in 1957. She worked as the head nurse on the OBGYN floor of Rahway Hospital in Rahway, N.J., for many years. Later in life, Joan Ann and her husband Joseph opened a family business selling fine arts and collectibles called DeLuca's Galleries in Scotch Plains, N.J. Her and her husband were chartered members of the Gran Centurions Italian American Club in Clark, N.J., where they were involved in several charitable groups for which Joan Ann received many honorable awards. She and her husband lived in Clark, N.J., for many years before retiring to Royal Palm Beach, Florida, in 1997, where she continued to do volunteer work in her church and with the local Hospice organization in Palm Beach County. She and her husband, Joseph, of 65 years, relocated within the past year to Ocala, Florida, to reside with their daughter and son-in-law.

Joan Ann is survived by her husband, Joseph DeLuca Jr., her sons Joseph III,

Thomas, and James

DeLuca, her daughter, Karen Besosa, her four grandchildren, Joseph IV,  
Michael and Brian DeLuca,

Gabriella Besosa and great-granddaughter Addie DeLuca, her daughter-in-  
laws Barbara DeLuca,

Domonie DeLuca and son in-law Michael Besosa.

Viewing and funeral service will be held at Roberts of Ocala West Chapel on  
Thursday, January 2nd, at 3 pm with Pastor Herb Agee officiating. Burial will  
be the following day at 12:30 pm at the Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell,  
Florida.

Memorial Donations may be made in lieu of flowers to Hospice of Marion  
County West Team (352) 237-6979. The family wishes to extend their  
gratitude to Hospice for the excellent care and love provided to  
Joan Ann and her family during their time of need.

# Cemetery Details

## Florida National Cemetery

6502 SW 102nd Avenue  
Bushnell, FL 33513

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 2. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Roberts of Ocala West Chapel  
6241 SW State Rd 200  
Ocala, FL 34476  
(352) 537-8111  
info@robertsfunerals.com  
<http://www.robertsfunerals.com>

## Burial

JAN 3. 12:30 PM (ET)

Florida National Cemetery  
6502 SW 102nd Avenue  
Bushnell, FL 33513

# Tribute Wall

TR

“ When I think of you and all the good times and laughs we had working for hospice. Being on call and going out in all kinds of weather. The laughs we had with your mother and how she prayed that it wouldn't snow when we were on call late at night. You taught me so much working with the center for hope and I will never forget the good times we had driving to the shore on our day off on Wednesday. I was looking through my old papers and cards, and I know it had to be God-the first handwritten letter that I saw was from my dear friend Joanne from years ago. Rest in peace dear friend. I will miss you. You were a joy and fun person to know. My sympathy to your family. I know they will miss their angel Your friend Trish

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**Trish** - March 06, 2025 at 02:46 PM

TD

Trish,  
I was glad to read your comment and want to say on behalf of my siblings and I, "thanks for such a beautiful statement." We all appreciate you and the friendship you had with our mom. She always spoke well of you, and deeply appreciated your bond. Thanks for being mom's friend, and a wonderful coworker. Your example and faith to me personally has always left an imprint. God bless you Trish,  
Joanne's son Tom

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**Tom DeLuca** - October 14, 2025 at 02:10 AM

JM

“ When I think of you, I think of all of the good times we had, and all of the treasures we collected together. You were one of the best friends I ever had and I'll never forget our lunch at Tavern on the Green in NY. You will be missed. I'm sorry we didn't get together, I thought of you all the time with always great memories. Love your friend Joan Marconi

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**joan Marconi** - January 03, 2025 at 09:54 AM

KB

*How Very Touching Joan . 🌹*

*It took me a few weeks to even look at this .  
I had heard that Joan had written this to my mother just prior to her death . It broke my heart .  
Today was the day that I decided to read it and I am so touched.  
My mother loved Mrs. Marconi with all her heart and I know this was music to her ears when our Lord let her read this .*

*So now while you both are in heaven together I must say that I suspect  
The food there is much better than that of "Tavern on the green." 😊  
Enjoy girls !*

*Also, I think I can speak for The rest of my family when I say we loved  
Mrs. Joan Marconi with all of our hearts as well. She was a beautiful  
heart.*

*Mom smiled often when she spoke her name.  
My brothers and I had so much fun with our mom and Mrs. Marconi at  
the beach house , and driving to NYC and dinners out .*

*We had many funny memories that we will never forget.*

*Lisa ( and brothers , Anthony and Robert ) if you're reading this, I shed  
many tears while writing it . I share in your loss .  
God bless all of you. ❤️*

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**Karen Besosa** - February 11, 2025 at 05:37 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for  
the family of Joan Ann DeLuca.*



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December 31, 2024 at 04:03 PM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Joan Ann DeLuca.



December 31, 2024 at 10:30 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Joan Ann DeLuca.

December 31, 2024 at 10:30 AM



“ Joseph and Antonella DeLuca purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Joan Ann DeLuca.



Joseph and Antonella DeLuca - December 31, 2024 at 10:25 AM



“ Joseph Deluca lit a candle in memory of Joan Ann DeLuca



Joseph Deluca - December 31, 2024 at 10:09 AM



How very precious it was of you to light a candle for our mother God bless you always. I Put a beautiful smile on her face.❤️

Karen Besosa - February 11, 2025 at 05:48 PM

PA

“ *Pamela lit a candle in memory of Joan Ann DeLuca*



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**Pamela** - December 30, 2024 at 04:59 PM

KB

*Thank you so very much my sweet sister Pam for lighting a candle for our mother and Joanne Deluca . Appreciate you so very much and your kindness. God bless you.*

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**Karen Besosa** - February 11, 2025 at 05:44 PM