



## Maria Leis

November 2, 1941 - November 10, 2023

Maria Leis, age 82 of Leeds, NY passed away at home on November 10, 2023.

Maria was born in Massapequa, NY on November 2, 1941 to Jack & Dorothy Massaro.

Loving & missing her deeply: The love of her life, her husband of 62 adventurous, loving years Bernie Leis; Children: Buddy Leis, Kenny Leis and Jenny Leis; Grandchildren: Josh (Kristina Mercier) Leis, Ashley (Ryan) Vandenburg, Joseph Sutherland, Courtney (Rob) Hasenkopf, Mikey Ostoyic, Eric Ostoyic and Henry VanAckooy. Also missing her deeply, her 6 Great Grandchildren; Liam, Avery, Carter, Logan, Charlotte and Luke; Siblings: Jackie (Jonas) Massaro Havens, Debbie (Pat) Lane, John Massaro, Joyce (Cheryl) Massaro, many nieces and nephews. Maria has reunited in heaven with her sisters Janie Dillworth, Kathy Massaro, sister-in-law Lisa Massaro and parents Jack & Dorothy Massaro.

Maria's life centered around her family. You would always find her right on the floor racing cars, pretend cooking or stacking blocks with the little ones. She was always so excited for her "Sisters Get Away" where they enjoyed themed weekends for just her and her sisters. Maria also loved the holidays, she would always be sure to decorate her home for each occasion. Her family, friends and extended family will forever remember her beautiful Christmas village that each piece was a part of the story of her life with her husband and family.

A celebration of Maria's life will be held at The Cask & Rasher, 245 Mansion Street, Coxsackie, NY on Saturday, November 18, 2023. Friends are welcome to join the family from 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM.

Arrangements for Maria are under the direction of Richards Funeral Home of the Mid - Hudson Valley, Inc., 29 Bross Street, Cairo, N.Y. 12413.

Condolences and memories of Maria may be shared at [www.richardsfuneralhomeinc.net](http://www.richardsfuneralhomeinc.net).

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

NOV 18. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

The Cask and Rasher  
245 Mansion Street  
Coxsackie , NY 12051

# Tribute Wall

MA

“ *Maria, not only is the world less one awesome cook but also less one truly beautiful human being. Smart, funny, loving and wise eons beyond your years (I could go on and on), you were the best of it all. To the Leis and the Massaro families... my deepest and most profound condolences. I can't even fathom how much she'll be missed. I wish you all peace and strength.* ”



Mark Abramajtis - November 27, 2023 at 10:05 AM

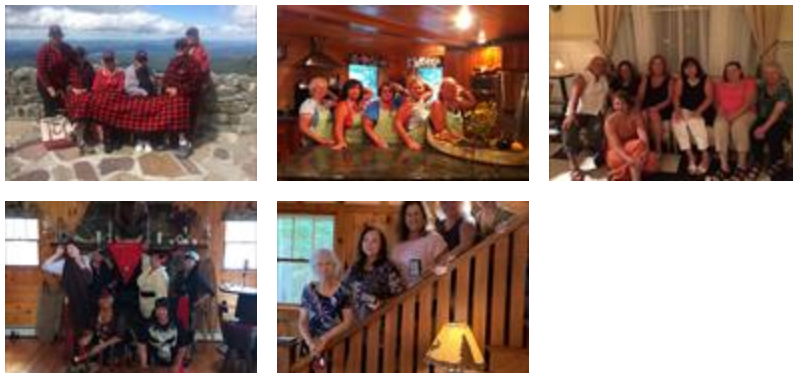
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“ *Maria was such a gentle soul....a wonderful mother and matriarch of her very special surviving family. Always willing to share her love of life - always smiling that beautiful smile. She will be missed, but certainly not forgotten. I feel blessed to have known her. Sending love and prayers to all whose lives she has touched.* ”

Kathy Hulbert - November 18, 2023 at 06:25 AM

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Cheryl - November 17, 2023 at 11:34 AM

CH

*I just had to share some of the wonderful, and silly, memories from sisters weekends at Debbie & Pat's beautiful home up north. I can't even describe how much Maria will be missed by her beloved family.*

Cheryl - November 17, 2023 at 01:33 PM

JL

“ *Oh Bernie, I am so sorry to read of Maria's passing. I have thought of her so often over the years. My Mom, Connie, and I so enjoyed her stories and seeing her humongous Christmas village displays! My heartfelt condolences. I will not be at the Cask & Rasher as I try to avoid crowds and I am sure there will be one! All the best, Joyce Lissandrello*

Joyce Lissandrello - November 15, 2023 at 05:45 PM

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*Thank you Joyce, she was so proud of her village. Stay well and thank you again.*

The Leis Family - November 15, 2023 at 06:08 PM

SS

“ *My deepest sympathy to Bernie and family. Many fun and happy memories from years ago. Wally and I had such fun with you and Maria and all your parties. God bless you all at this time and always. Sincerely, Sue Schelling*

sue schelling - November 13, 2023 at 06:57 PM

JE

*Thank you so much Sue. We all love you & Wally and cherish the wonderful memories our families shared.*

Jenny - November 13, 2023 at 07:55 PM



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Richards Funeral Home of the Mid Hudson Valley Inc. - November 12, 2023 at 07:47 AM



“ Richards Funeral Home Staff lit a candle in memory of Maria Leis



Richards Funeral Home Staff - November 10, 2023 at 02:00 PM



We extend our heartfelt condolences to The Family of Maria Leis during this difficult and sad time and throughout the days ahead.

Richards Funeral Home Staff - November 10, 2023 at 02:01 PM



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Richards Funeral Home of the Mid Hudson Valley Inc. - November 10, 2023 at 01:58 PM