

Alba Quaresimo

August 17, 1925 - March 18, 2017

Obituary



Alba Quaresimo of Bloomfield passed away peacefully in her home on Saturday, March 18, 2017. She was 91 years old.

Services will be held at the LaMonica Memorial Home, 145 E. Pleasant Ave., Livingston, on Monday, March 27 at 8:30 am followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Bloomfield at 10 am. Entombment is in Glendale Cemetery, Bloomfield. The visitation is on Sunday, March 26 from 2 to 6 PM.

Alba was born and raised on 7th Street, in Newark, NJ. She was the daughter of Leonilda (Rosamilia) and Ernesto DeRogatis, and was one of 7 siblings. She attended Barringer High School, graduated from Montclair State University Teachers' College in 1947, and then taught Spanish for 38 years at Chatham High School until she retired.

For years, Alba along with her mother and sisters (Genevieve Petruccione, Tullia Ferrucci, Rosina Elefante, Letizia Frusciano, and Ernesta Porcelli) would prepare the weekly lunch specials for her brother, Alex, who would serve them at his tavern, the "322 Club" in Newark, NJ.

In 1956, she married the love of her life, Alphonse "Doc Al" Quaresimo. Alba was president of the Woman's UNICO Auxiliary. Both she and Al were charter members of Bloomfield's UNICO, and for many years they chaired its scholarship fund. She also belonged to an Italian dance club that did authentic dances of Italy, and she was member of the September Club at St. Thomas the Apostle Church.



*Mrs. Quaresimo in the
1963 CHS Yearbook*

Alba and Al loved traveling the world together, cooking gourmet meals, and entertaining their family and friends. They were married for 54 years, until Al passed away in 2010. Their Essex Avenue home in Bloomfield was always the center for many family holidays and celebrations.

Alba and Al loved all of their nieces and nephews and later their grand nieces and nephews.

Alba is survived by her beloved younger sister, Ernesta Porcelli, and her nieces and nephews: Eve, Alexis, Jeffrey, Victor, Michael, Christopher, David, and Vanessa.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to the Alzheimer's Association