



## Mrs. Gioia De Ranieri

January 8, 1949 - May 19, 2014

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Gioia passed away, of natural causes, peacefully in her sleep in Sea Ranch, California. A native of Sicily, Italy she has been in California for the last 45 years. Gioia was the cherished wife of the late Albert De Ranieri for over 30 years, devoted mother of Aladino (Deirdre), Reno and Marcus (Natalie) De Ranieri and proud grandmother of Damien, Julian, Gemma and Giada. Gioia spent her life taking care of others both as an RN and as a homemaker.

Friends are invited to attend the Memorial Service on Thursday, May 22, 2014 at 6:30PM at the chapels of Valente Marini Perata & Co. 4840 Mission St., SF. Committal of her urn to take place on Saturday at the Italian Cemetery 540 F St., Colma (call cemetery for time). Online condolences may be offered by clicking the "Tribute Wall" tab on this page.

# Cemetery Details

## Italian Cemetery

540 F Street  
Colma, CA

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAY **22**. 6:30 PM (PT)

Valente Marini Perata & Company  
4840 Mission Street  
San Francisco, CA 94112  
(415) 333-0161  
[funerals@vmpandco.com](mailto:funerals@vmpandco.com)

## Burial Service (Time Pending)

MAY **24** (PT)

Italian Cemetery  
540 F Street  
Colma, CA

# Tribute Wall

FH

“ My prayers are with you Dino, Reno and Marcus and your families. Your Mom kept me on my toes as Principal at McKinley. Couldn't have had a better parent and family. Your good memories will keep you going. Take care, Fred Wm. Heron

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**Fred Wm. Heron** - May 24, 2014 at 06:11 PM

NR

“ Natalie De Ranieri lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Gioia De Ranieri



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**Natalie De Ranieri** - May 24, 2014 at 12:25 AM

NR

“ Gioia had a beautiful baby shower for me when I was pregnant with Gemma. She always had a way of making me feel special. She made the girls handmade blankets that took her a really long time. Every book she got my girls says, "XOXO Nonna Gioia". She supported me, listened to me, and always helped me get through difficult situations. I could call her and ask her anything and she would have such a good answer.

I miss my mother-in-law so much it hurts. I am grateful that my girls and I got to spend so much time with her. She treated me so good all of the years I knew her. She was so selfless and always put others before her. Every holiday, birthday, or milestone, Gioia made extremely special. She has set the bar really high. I have some big shoes to only hope I can fill. Easter, birthdays, Christmas, St. Patrick's Day, Halloween, La Befana, Valentines day will never be the same without her. I have never met anyone so thoughtful and caring. Everyday was special with her too. I will miss her cooking. She was very sharing with her recipes:) I will miss her spending time with Gemma on Wednesday mornings... Gemma looked forward to this every week. They played cash register, cooking, reading lessons, and they always did arts and crafts. I had a gift every week from Gemma. I miss her laugh, going to the country, her paella, and her smile. I will really miss having a glass of wine or champagne with her too.

Thank you for teaching me so much about life, love, and doing for others. I will pass it down to my girls... xoxoxoxoxoxoxo

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Natalie De Ranieri - May 24, 2014 at 12:24 AM

LH

“ All my most heartfelt thoughts go out to Aladino, Reno, and Marcus during this time of loss. Your mother was loved by so many for her generosity, talents, and the warm welcoming feeling you received whenever you entered her home. I remember in particular the Easter Goat! With much affection to you all.

*Lynne Herrick (Reno's former guitar teacher...)*

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**Lynne Herrick** - May 22, 2014 at 08:32 PM

RD

“ A true friend who was always amazing, a superwoman really. It seems there was nothing she couldn't do and capable of everything. I will miss you Gioia and be forever in awe.

*My heartfelt condolences to Aladino, Reno and Marcus.*

*Rita Deiz*

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**rita deiz** - May 22, 2014 at 05:20 PM

LS

“ Gioia’s devotion to her family, her generosity, elegance, and fine taste was clearly visible on the night before the wedding of my daughter, Deirdre, to Aladino when Gioia hosted the Rehearsal Dinner in Galway city. Gioia set a new standard for Rehearsal Dinners in Ireland. Her very large number of guests were treated to the finest of Irish food, wine, and music in a very elegant setting. Gioia took care of every detail of the Rehearsal Dinner with exquisite attention and graciousness. I am so sad that Gioia is no longer with us and I grieve her loss for all who were blessed to know her and love her. I offer my deepest sympathy to Aladino, Deirdre, Damien, Julian, and all the De Ranieri family and many friends. Louise, Henry and extended family in Ireland.

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**Louise O Sullivan** - May 22, 2014 at 03:35 PM

VG

“ My sincerest condolences to Gioia's Family. Gioia was one of a kind: classy, incredibly creative, unparalleled attention to detail and a very kind person. Riposa in Pace, Gioia.

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**Violet Coturri Guerra** - May 22, 2014 at 02:31 PM

VG

“ Violet Coturri Guerra purchased the Celestial Love for the family of Mrs. Gioia De Ranieri.



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**Violet Coturri Guerra** - May 22, 2014 at 02:26 PM



“ *We last had tea in remembrance of our friend Denise. Now they are having tea together.*

*Madeleine Bass (Maddie)*

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**Maddie Bass** - May 22, 2014 at 01:30 PM

DB

“ *Nonna Gioia was such an elegant woman. She treated her granddaughters Gemma and Giada like little princesses with the most thoughtful gifts that I am sure they will treasure for a lifetime. Her spring tea parties were so lovingly planned, they were something out of a storybook in her gorgeous garden. I will miss her, Francesca says she misses her, but what a gift she bestowed on us all by showing us how to do things right, with love and attention to detail. I will remember those things and try to incorporate them into my life. We love you all.*

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**Danielle Caponi Bolla** - May 22, 2014 at 09:22 AM

NR

*Thank you for mentioning the tea parties:) I am so glad we will be able to have those memories together. xoxo*

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**Natalie De Ranieri** - May 24, 2014 at 12:27 AM

JC

“ *Gioia brought beauty, warmth, laughter, and love to all who knew her. What a grand lady and a wonderful friend. We will miss her, but will carry her always in our hearts. Our most heartfelt condolences to the family. Janet, Steve, Rebecca, and Molly Chappell*

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**janet chappell** - May 21, 2014 at 09:27 PM

BS

“ *Bev and Steve purchased the A Full Life for the family of Mrs. Gioia De Ranieri.*



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**Bev and Steve** - May 21, 2014 at 06:53 PM

DC

“ *We are very sorry to hear of the passing of Gioia. Al and Gioia were wonderful parents and friends to many. I was just remembering (over the last few days) the wonderful Senior Prom dinner they hosted for Marcus and his friends. A life long memory for all of us! Our condolences to Aladino, Reno and Marcus and to all the De Ranieri's. -Pat and Debi Cunningham.*



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**Debra and Pat Cunningham** - May 21, 2014 at 01:09 PM

DF

*Gioia was a beautiful woman, inside and out. She was the Nonna to my two nieces Gemma and Giada. She took the job of being "Nonna" very seriously. There was no end to what this woman could do. She cooked beautiful meals, set gorgeous table settings, came up with amazing gift ideas. I once delivered her some fresh vegetables from my garden. The very next day, a beautiful basket filled with homemade panforte, champagne, and other goodies was on my doorstep wrapped in a fine linen embroidered kitchen cloth with a hand written note. This was Gioia.*

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**Dina Feliciano** - May 22, 2014 at 01:37 PM