



Clare (Dizzia) Onorato

November 18, 1928 - February 15, 2025

Clare (Dizzia) Onorato, 96, of Farmington, wife of James “Jimmy” Onorato passed away Saturday (Feb 15, 2025) at UCONN Health Center. Born in New Britain, daughter of the late Carmelo and Michaelina Dizzia, she was a former resident there, moving to Farmington in 1972. A graduate of New Britain High School, Class of 1946, Clare worked with her husband at Jimmy’s Smoke Shop, a New Britain landmark, from 1987 to 2010. In the past she had worked at the former Landers, Frary & Clark Company. She was a member of St Francis of Assisi Church in New Britain.

Besides her husband of 73 years, she leaves a son, James Vincent Onorato II and his wife Theresa of Larchmont, NY; three granddaughters, Jaymi Onorato, Jaqui Onorato and Alexandra Onorato. She also leaves her caregiver, Lisa and Mark Bialko of Plainville; longtime friends Nicole Griffith of Las Vegas; Dominic and Philomena Formato of New Britain; Linda and Robert Meuneir of PA and Norina and Mark Paradis of Bristol. Clare was predeceased by her sister in law, Helen Morrissey.

Calling hours are Wednesday 9 to 10 AM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Sq New Britain followed by a mass of Christian burial 10:30 AM at St Francis of Assisi Church, 1755 Stanley St New Britain, CT 06053. Burial will be in St Mary Cemetery, New Britain. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St Francis of Assisi Church. Please share a memory or note of sympathy at www.carlsonfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Mary Cemetery

1141 Stanley Street
New Britain, CT 06053

Previous Events

Calling Hours

FEB 19. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Carlson Funeral Home
45 Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051
(860) 225-6361
carlsonfh@aol.com
<https://www.carlsonfuneralhome.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 19. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Francis of Assisi
1755 Stanley Street
New Britain, CT 06053

Tribute Wall

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“ Oh Claire, ☐ I was your neighbor at 21 Poplar for seven years. You were the nicest neighbor and such a sweetheart. I'm so sorry we never reconnected after I moved. To Jimmy and family, I'm deeply saddened by your loss. 🙏
Tammy Samperi

Tammy Samperi - June 20, 2025 at 10:23 PM

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“ Our condolences to jimmy and family. My father Carmen Gallo worked for jimmy for years. I also worked at the business from my teens until I had my first child. We have many memories of our families together.. prayers to all.. rest in peace Clare... JoAnn Gallo Ciaffaglione

The Ciaffaglione family - February 22, 2025 at 06:50 PM

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“ We are so sorry for your loss.
With love and sympathy.
Bob & Linda Meunier

Robert Meunier - February 19, 2025 at 12:07 PM

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“ Ad long as I can remember being a kid stopping at jimmys smoke shop or being at the warehouse in Plainville or going to Jimmy and Claire's house in Farmington she was always a sweet lady to me ,sad to know she is gone but lived a long and beautiful life, from my family to your we send our condolences 🙏 Claire have a glass of wine in heaven you will forever be missed and loved
-Lee Chambers and Family



Lee Chambers - February 16, 2025 at 08:31 PM

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“ Our deepest and sincere condolences to Jimmy, Junior, Teressa and the 3 girls. I'm glad to know Claire as long as I did. She was like my second mom,my dear Abby lol my truly good friend. A lot of time together, weather having coffee or sitting on the porch and going to breakfast every Saturday. I'll always cherish the time with her. We had a lot of good laughs and quality time together over last 20 plus years. Late nights of Red Diamond lol glad we shared them together. I'll miss you forever , until we meet again. Forever in our hearts. Nikki & Larry & Logan

Nicole Griffith - February 16, 2025 at 08:20 PM

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My sincere condolences to Jimmy, jimmy jr. and family.
I have known Clare for many years and will always cherish the time we spent together. I'll always remember our conversations over dinner. I will
Miss you!
Love,
Filomena

filomema - February 17, 2025 at 03:02 PM