



Alice S Aydjian

October 17, 1956 - September 14, 2023

Alice Sawaya Aydjian, 66, of Moorestown and Ocean City, passed away on September 14, 2023 surrounded by her loving and faithful family.

Alice had an incredibly big heart, her home always had an open door with a table full of food, and her devout love for the Lord made her an angel on earth. She was loving, generous, hospitable, and compassionate toward family, friends, customers, and strangers alike. A selfless, humble servant, she quietly, but joyfully, sprinkled kindness everywhere she went and to anyone she met.

Alice was born in 1956 in Kfarhouna, a small village in the mountains of Lebanon, where she lived until she emigrated to the United States in 1978. Upon arrival in America, she settled in Burlington County, New Jersey.

The epitome of the American Dream, Alice was an entrepreneur who built several businesses throughout South Jersey. Using her culinary talents, she launched Zena's, a Lebanese restaurant that was located on Route 70 in Cherry Hill. She also owned several shoe stores in Washington Township, Collingswood and Ocean City, where her flagship, namesake store, Alyse's Shoes, has been located for more than three decades on Asbury Avenue. It is here that her loyal customers came to know and love her incredible spirit and joie de vivre.

When she wasn't working, Alice loved cooking feasts, playing slots at the casinos, traveling, golfing, going to shows, drinking coffee, listening to music, and watching football.

As much as she loved these pastimes, she most enjoyed spending time with her family. Alice is survived by her children, Kevork Aydjian (Jennifer), Verginie (Tom Braddock), and Angela (Rob Morrison), and their father, Haroutioun Aydjian. She was an adored Teyta (Grandmother in Arabic) to her six grandchildren, Elias Jude, Katherine Marie, Alexandria Grace, Francesca Saada, Gabriel Haroutioun, and Ronan Otto, as well as many beloved nieces, nephews, and godchildren. She also leaves behind her partner Harry Verna; four sisters, Marie (Panos Joulakian), Laure Sawaya, Gladisse (John Abboud), and Denise (Rafic Esper); and one brother, Andre Sawaya (Lisa Harkins).

She was predeceased by her parents, Sawaya Sawaya and Saada Sawaya, and three of her siblings, Hassiba Talchy, Elias Sawaya and George Sawaya, as well as her pets, Spike, Clementine, and Kiwi.

Relatives and friends are invited to Alice's visitation and funeral on Thursday, September 21, 2023 from 9am-11am at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 42 West Main Street, Moorestown NJ 08057. A Funeral Mass will be said at 11am, followed by interment at Jesus, Bread of Life Cemetery in Mount Laurel.

In lieu of flowers, family kindly requests that donations be made to Our Lady of Good Counsel Church using the link below.

Parish Giving

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Cemetery Details

Jesus, Bread of Life Cemetery

3055 Fostertown Rd
Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 21. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Our lady of Good Counsel Church
42 West Main Street
Moorestown, NJ

Mass of Christian Burial

SEP 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our lady of Good Counsel Church
42 West Main Street
Moorestown, NJ

Tribute Wall

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“ Alice, I remember your House Blessing so many years ago. How gracious and kind. All the things you did at St. Martin's Church, the food for the covered dish dinners. I remember how you helped with the rummage sales. Your donations of shoes and how you would arrange flowers in the vases and say, "people will buy the vases when they look pretty". And I can't remember her saying "no" to anything she was asked to do. This world has lost a wonderful person, but Heaven has gained a treasure. Rest in peace Alice, rest in peace! Now, we all know that's not gonna happen. She is up there doing her thing and God is loving it.
No more suffering, just joy and love for another Godly soul. 🌸

Deacon Mickie Smyth - September 20, 2023 at 10:52 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Alice S Aydjian.



September 20, 2023 at 07:44 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Alice S Aydjian.

September 19, 2023 at 05:36 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Alice S Aydjian.*



September 19, 2023 at 05:36 PM



“ *Deborah C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alice S Aydjian.*

Deborah C. - September 19, 2023 at 05:26 PM



“ *Maral . planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alice S Aydjian.*

Maral . - September 19, 2023 at 01:31 PM



“ *Michele Dangelo lit a candle in memory of Alice S Aydjian*



michele dangelo - September 19, 2023 at 08:57 AM



DEAR V and Family . My heartfelt sympathy to all of you.. Praying for strength and comfort . She was a tremendous woman . Your angel

michele dangelo - September 19, 2023 at 08:59 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Alice S Aydjian.



September 18, 2023 at 12:17 PM



“ Jack and Talar Palanjian planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Alice S Aydjian.

Jack and Talar Palanjian - September 17, 2023 at 07:02 PM



“ Jack and Talar Palanjian purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Alice S Aydjian.



Jack and Talar Palanjian - September 17, 2023 at 07:02 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Alice S Aydjian.

September 17, 2023 at 06:55 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Alice S Aydjian.



September 16, 2023 at 10:00 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Alice S Aydjian.



September 16, 2023 at 09:50 PM