



Lois A Szelc

November 4, 1942 - June 4, 2025

Lois Szelc of Burlington, New Jersey, passed away peacefully on June 4, 2025, surrounded by the love of her family.

She is survived by her devoted husband of 64 years, James Szelc Sr.; her children James (Mardyne) Szelc Jr., Stanley Szelc, and Lisa (Joel) Zanni; her cherished sister Patricia Beebe; her grandchildren Alyssa and Shana Marchese, and Liam Zanni; and three great-grandchildren, Mia, Atlas, and Cora.

Lois was predeceased by her beloved parents, Stanley and Lois Falijewski, and her dear daughter Donna Szelc.

Lois will be remembered as a kind, intelligent woman with a sharp wit and a dry, clever sense of humor. She had a deep appreciation for a good joke or funny story and loved bringing joy to those around her.

She was generous, thoughtful, and always looking for ways to bring people together—especially for holidays, birthdays, or just because.

She expressed her love most often through cooking—her meals were more than food; they were gifts from the heart. She had an adventurous spirit and wasn't afraid to take chances. Throughout her life, she followed many paths:

working as a caretaker at the Masonic Home, at Modern Packaging, and eventually opening her own restaurant, Lois's Luncheonette. Her café was a dream fulfilled—serving homestyle dishes to her community was one of her proudest accomplishments.

Later in her career, she worked and retired as a telephone operator for Burlington County, where she was known not just for her friendly voice, but also for her lush collection of office plants. Her green thumb and nurturing nature were evident everywhere she went.

A service to celebrate Lois's life will be held at Perinchief Funeral Home in Mount Holly, New Jersey, on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, from 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM.

She will be deeply missed by her family and friends.

Previous Events

Family and Friends Received

JUN 11. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Perinchief Chapels
438 High St.
Mount Holly, NJ 08060
(609) 267-0399

Tribute Wall

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“ Sending prayers to the family 🙏 Rest In Peace Lois. I worked with Lois. She was so funny, and such a great, sweet person. She was a hard worker. I always would love when she was on the schedule with me. Rip 🙏🙏

Joan Cantarella - June 11, 2025 at 10:50 PM

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“ I remember Lois when we both worked at the Burlington County Building. She always had a kind word and a smile for all of us who worked or visited there.
God bless Lois and my deepest condolences for her family.
- Deacon Jim Casa

Deacon Jim Casa - June 09, 2025 at 10:04 PM