



## Pierina (Vacca) DiGennaro

June 29, 1923 - April 20, 2024

Pierina “Perri” (Vacca) DiGennaro, age 100, entered into eternal rest on Saturday, April 20, 2024. Perri was the daughter of the late Filippo and Agata (DiGregorio) Vacca. She was born and raised in North Philadelphia where she met and married the love of her life, the late Attilio “Tilly” DiGennaro. They were parishioners of St. Mary of the Eternal Church, and they raised three daughters. Eventually they moved to Lafayette Hill and were parishioners of St. Philip Neri. Perri was a graduate of Dobbins Vocational Technical School. She was a self-taught dressmaker and fashion designer, and worked at several formal wear boutiques, eventually opening her own bridal boutique in Conshohocken, “Chez Perri”. In her later years she worked in food preparation at Giant supermarket, retiring at age 95. Perri enjoyed ballroom dancing, traveling with her family, casino trips, cooking for her family and friends, and was known for her “green thumb”, growing beautiful flowers and vegetables. After retirement, Perri resided at Brandywine Living Senior Suites, East Norriton where the loving staff became her friends and “second family”. She then became a parishioner of St. Paul Church in East Norriton.

Pierina is survived by three daughters, Maria Elena Shaw (Andrew), Susan Porreca (Anthony) and Jeanette Donovan (James), grandchildren, Carolyn Pownall (Mark), Teresa Crowe, Michelle Woods, Jennifer McGlade (James) and Nicholas Porreca and great grandchildren, Gianna Neff (Brian), Marissa Pownall, Declan McGlade and Fiona McGlade. She is also survived by many

nieces, nephews, friends, and her dear sister-in-law, Mary Vacca. She was predeceased by her beloved twin brother, Peter Vacca, and siblings, Benny Salutari, Mary Romasco and Dora Mercadante.

Services are Thursday evening, April 25th, viewing from 6 to 8:00 pm at William Moore Funeral Home, 708 Fayette St., Conshohocken. On Friday morning, April 26th at St. Paul Catholic Church, 2007 New Hope St., East Norriton, there will be a viewing from 9 to 9:45 am followed by mass of Christian burial at 10 am. Interment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, 3301 W. Cheltenham Ave. in Philadelphia.

In lieu of flowers: memorial donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org) or (800) 805-5856 or St. Paul Catholic Church at [www.stpaulcatholicchurcheastnorriton.net](http://www.stpaulcatholicchurcheastnorriton.net) or (610) 279-6725.

# Cemetery Details

## Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

W. Cheltenham Ave. & Easton Rd.  
Philadelphia, PA 19150

# Previous Events

## Evening Visitation

APR 25. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

William A. Moore Funeral Home  
708 Fayette Street  
Conshohocken, PA 19428  
(610) 828-4006  
<https://www.williamamoore.com/>

## Morning Visitation

APR 26. 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM (ET)

St. Paul RC Church  
2007 New Hope St.  
Norristown, PA 19401

## Funeral Mass

APR 26. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul RC Church  
2007 New Hope St.  
Norristown, PA 19401



# Tribute Wall



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Pierina (Vacca) DiGennaro.*



April 25, 2024 at 01:43 PM



“ *Thinking of you all at this sad time,,but celebrate a long life well loved and lived,,,heaven has gained another angel ,Joan and John pollard 4th terr Florida*

**joan pollard** - April 25, 2024 at 08:17 AM



“ *Mary, Paula, David, Peter & Family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Pierina (Vacca) DiGennaro.*



**Mary, Paula, David, Peter & Family** - April 24, 2024 at 11:21 AM



“ *Dave and Laura Neff and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Pierina (Vacca) DiGennaro.*



**Dave and Laura Neff and family** - April 24, 2024 at 06:56 AM