

Alessio Reunion

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Ellwood City, Pennsylvania

This book is dedicated to

Our Mothers...

Teresa Filipponi Alessio

1899 - 1927

&

Maria Femia Alessio

1907 - 1995

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Introduction

My mother, Maria, told me about hearing my father's, Paul's, name for the first time when she was a young girl. She was crossing the square with her mother and some of the neighbor women. They were on their way to the river to do laundry.

When one of the women said, "Paul Alessio is back," the other women reacted excitedly, for Paul Alessio had been to America. He was 18 years old when he left Italy in 1912. Now, probably at some time between 1915 and 1918, he was back, hoping to marry and return to America with his wife.

My mother told me that Paul's mother, Caterina Siciliano (our paternal grandmother), and her mother, Fortunata Longo (our maternal grandmother), were neighbors at the time. Caterina, expecting Paul at her home, asked Fortunata to hold her house key for him while she ran errands. When he came to the door, it was my mother who gave him the key, and she would never forget him. She talked to me many times about that moment. Her eyes would shine and her face would glow as she'd recall, "I knew I loved him from the first time I saw him."

Maria's life in Italy had been filled with hardship and disappointment. She was the second of three daughters born to Fortunata Longo and Nicolo Femia. Because Nicolo worked in America, Fortunata carried the burden of caring for the family for many years at a time. So, while her older and younger sisters were being educated in the public and sewing schools, Maria was told she was needed to assist her mother at home. She spent her days working in the olive fields and helping her mother with household chores. She dreamed of going to school with the others; and when she had a free moment, would run to her favorite cousin's house where she would watch and learn as her cousin sewed.

But, unhappy as she was with the bleak living conditions of her home, she could not imagine herself with any man but Paul. Several years after she met Paul, a young man from another town

asked Maria's parents for permission to marry her. They gave their consent and encouraged her to agree, but she refused.

Paul's marriage plans were delayed by the Italian army where he learned to hate rice and, I'm told by my brothers, was assigned to guard a bordello to prevent his fellow soldiers from entering. It wasn't until 1921 that he married Teresa Filipponi. Maria watched from her window as they walked to the church. Paul returned to America without Teresa in November of 1921; and his first child, Rose, was born in Italy on January 30, 1922.

Paul went back to Italy at some point between 1922 and 1924 and returned with Teresa and Rose on April 25, 1924. They would have two more children, Anthony, born February 2, 1925, and Frank, born April 25, 1926, before Teresa's death. She died while undergoing surgery in 1927.

Paul, desperate, living in a foreign country without a mother for his three small children, must have written his mother asking for help in finding a suitable wife who would be a mother to his children. Maria listened as Caterina asked a friend, older than Maria, if she would be willing to marry her widowed son. The girl replied, "Oh, that's all I need, to be a mother to someone else's three children!"

By now, Maria was eighteen or nineteen years old. She and Caterina had always been fond of each other. When Caterina asked Maria if she would be her son's wife, Maria did not hesitate. She said, "Yes."

Paul left the three children with friends and relatives while he returned to Italy to marry Maria and arrange for her trip to America. Initially, Frank, a baby at the time, and Rose stayed with Frank's godparents, Paul's friends; and Tony stayed with Paul's brother and sister-in-law, Uncle Frank and Aunt Rose Alessio. At some point, Uncle Frank and Aunt Rose asked that little Rose move in with them so that she could help look after her younger brother, Tony. So, she moved to my uncle's and aunt's house with Tony.

Paul and Maria were married in September of 1928. When they left Italy together in early 1929, Maria's mother, Fortunata, stayed at home. She knew she would never see her daughter again and could not bear to watch them leave. These "Good-byes" to their families, friends, and homeland would be final. They never returned to Italy.

Later, my mother would describe her naiveness and immaturity to me. Although she never regretted marrying my father, coming to America, and raising her family here, she would say, "I was so young. I didn't understand what it meant never to see my mother or Italy again. If I had known, I wouldn't have had the courage to do it."

Paul and Maria arrived at Ellis Island, New York, in March of 1929. I don't know how they traveled from New York to Pennsylvania, but my mother told me that, even before they went to their home, they went to Rose's school to pick her up and then to the two homes to get the boys. She always said that she was filled with love and compassion for them from the time she saw them. And while she cared for them and comforted them, they returned her love; and soon the emptiness she'd lived with throughout her childhood was forgotten.

Rose tells of Seeing Maria for the First Time...

My father and my new mother picked me up from school on the way home from the train station. I looked up at the strange woman and thought, "O God! What am I going to do now?" Little did I know that I didn't have to do anything. She did it all. It didn't take long before we felt that Mom had come down from Heaven and took us over. She took us over with no demands, no strings attached. It didn't take long for me to see she was no stranger. She was my mom.

Photographs



Teresa Filipponi Alessio
1899-1927



Maria Femia Alessio & Paolo Alessio's Wedding

About 1928



Caterina Siciliano Alessio

Paolo Alessio's Mother



Nicolo Femia & Fortunata Longo Femia

Maria Femia's Parents

Alessio Farm
Leesburg,
Mercer County
Pennsylvania



Springfield Twp.,

Alessio Family
Front: Virginia,
Sitting: Edith,
John, Paolo,
Standing: Mary,
Rose, Frank,



Esther
Paul, Maria,
Julia, Sylvia
Jim, Cathy, Tony,
Ervia, Tressa.

Descendants of Paolo Antonio "Paul" Alessio

Generation No. 1

1. PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"² ALESSIO (*ANTONIO*)¹ was born 09 Apr 1894 in Canolo, Calabria, Italy, and died 18 Jan 1971 in Grove City, Mercer Co., PA. He married (1) TERESA FILIPPONI Abt. 1921 in Canolo, Calabria, Italy, daughter of BRUNO FILIPPONI and MARIA SICILIANO. She was born 01 Feb 1899 in Gerace, Reggio Calabria, Italy, and died 21 Dec 1926 in Mercer Hospital, Mercer, PA². He married (2) MARIA TERESA FEMIA³ Sep 1928 in Canolo, Calabria, Italy, daughter of NICOLO FEMIA and FORTUNATA LONGO. She was born 26 Oct 1907 in Canolo, Calabria, Italy, and died 19 Feb 1995 in Pine Twp, Mercer Co., PA.

More About PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL" ALESSIO:

Burial: 21 Jan 1971, Crestview Cemetery, Pine Twp, Mercer, PA

Cause of Death: Heart Failure, Coronary Artery Disease, Arteriosclerosis

Hobbies: Hunting

Immigration: 02 Aug 1912, Ellis Island, New York

Immigration Facts: Ship: San Guglielmo departing from Messina, Sicily, Italy

Nationality: Italian

Occupation: Coal Miner

Social Security Number: 208-07-2096

More About TERESA FILIPPONI:

Burial: 24 Dec 1926, Catholic Cemetery, Grove City, Mercer, PA

Cause of Death: Multiple cysts of left ovary, malignant

Immigration: 25 Apr 1924, Ellis Island, New York

Immigration Facts: Ship: Duilio departing from Naples, Campania, Italy

More About PAOLO ALESSIO and TERESA FILIPPONI:

Marriage: Abt. 1921, Canolo, Calabria, Italy

More About MARIA TERESA FEMIA:

Baptism: St. Nicolo Church, Canolo, Calabria, Italy

Burial: 22 Feb 1995, Crestview Cemetery, Pine Twp, Mercer, PA

Cause of Death: Multi-organ failure

Immigration: Mar 1929, Ellis Island, NY

Nationality: Italian

Social Security Number: 166-50-9703

More About PAOLO ALESSIO and MARIA FEMIA:

Marriage: Sep 1928, Canolo, Calabria, Italy

Children of PAOLO ALESSIO and TERESA FILIPPONI are:

2. i. ROSE M.³ ALESSIO, b. 30 Jan 1922, Canolo, Calabria, Italy.
3. ii. ANTHONY ALESSIO, b. 25 Feb 1925, Volant, Lawrence, PA; d. 09 Dec 2002, New Castle, Mercer, PA.
4. iii. FRANK ALESSIO, b. 25 Apr 1926, Volant, Lawrence, PA; d. 08 Dec 2005, Grove City, Mercer Co., PA.

Children of PAOLO ALESSIO and MARIA FEMIA are:

5. iv. JAMES FRANK³ ALESSIO, b. 09 Aug 1929, Volant, Lawrence, PA; d. 03 Apr 2004, Butler Memorial Hospital, Butler, PA.
6. v. CATHERINE "CATHY" ALESSIO, b. 16 Dec 1930, Volant, Lawrence, PA.
7. vi. TRESSA "TERRY" ALESSIO, b. 20 Jul 1932, Volant, Lawrence, PA.
8. vii. MARY "MAGGIE" ALESSIO, b. 08 Dec 1933, Volant, Lawrence, PA.
9. viii. ERVIA LUCY ALESSIO, b. 07 May 1935, Volant, PA.
- ix. JULIA ALESSIO, b. 23 Aug 1936, Volant, Lawrence, PA.

10. x. EDITH CATHERINE ALESSIO, b. 15 Feb 1938, Volant, Lawrence, PA.
11. xi. PAUL ALESSIO, b. 20 Jul 1939, Volant, Lawrence, PA.
12. xii. SYLVIA "SUE" ALESSIO, b. 28 Feb 1941, Volant, Lawrence, PA.
- xiii. ESTHER ALESSIO, b. 14 Mar 1942, Volant, Lawrence, PA; m. PAUL NOONAN.

More About ESTHER ALESSIO:

Godchildren: Godmother to Eugene K. Martini, Jr.

- xiv. VIRGINIA ALESSIO, b. 22 Dec 1944, Plain Grove, Lawrence, PA.
13. xv. JOHN C. ALESSIO, b. 17 Aug 1948, Leesburg, Springfield Twp., Mercer, PA.

Generation No. 2

2. ROSE M.³ ALESSIO (*PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 30 Jan 1922 in Canolo, Calabria, Italy. She married HOMER D. LEWIS 27 Jun 1947 in New Castle, PA, son of NEWMAN LEWIS and ELIZA STANLEY. He was born 13 May 1922 in Sharon, Mercer, PA.

More About ROSE M. ALESSIO:

Hobbies: Cooking, Cake Decorating, Movies

Immigration: 25 Apr 1924, Ellis Island, NY Ship: Duilio

Occupation: RCA Corp. - Retired

More About HOMER D. LEWIS:

Hobbies: Reading, Spectator Sports

Occupation: Civil Service - Retired

More About HOMER LEWIS and ROSE ALESSIO:

Marriage: 27 Jun 1947, New Castle, PA

Children of ROSE ALESSIO and HOMER LEWIS are:

14. i. DEBRA M.⁴ LEWIS, b. 25 Feb 1955, New Castle, Lawrence, PA.
15. ii. DANIEL D. LEWIS, b. 27 Mar 1963, Indianapolis, IN.

3. ANTHONY³ ALESSIO (*PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 25 Feb 1925 in Volant, Lawrence, PA, and died 09 Dec 2002 in New Castle, Mercer, PA. He married DOLORES DiNUCCI 25 Oct 1952 in St. Vitus Church, New Castle, Lawrence, PA, daughter of ARTURO DiNUCCI and CHARLOTTE MATTEO. She was born 29 Sep 1931 in New Castle, Lawrence, PA.

More About ANTHONY ALESSIO:

Burial: 13 Dec 2002

Hobbies: Gardening, small appliance & engine repair

Military service: Bet. Jul 1943 - 17 Mar 1946, US Navy, World War II

Occupation: Welder - Retired

Social Security Number: 182-14-6025

More About DOLORES DiNUCCI:

Hobbies: Cooking, reading

More About ANTHONY ALESSIO and DOLORES DiNUCCI:

Marriage: 25 Oct 1952, St. Vitus Church, New Castle, Lawrence, PA

Children of ANTHONY ALESSIO and DOLORES DiNUCCI are:

16. i. PAUL⁴ ALESSIO, b. 17 Feb 1955, New Castle, Lawrence, PA.
17. ii. DAVID ALESSIO, b. 29 Dec 1959, New Castle, Lawrence, PA.

4. FRANK³ ALESSIO (*PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 25 Apr 1926 in Volant, Lawrence, PA,

and died 08 Dec 2005 in Grove City, Mercer Co., PA. He married DEE EAKIN 17 Oct 1953 in Grove City, Mercer, PA, daughter of HENRY EAKIN and NELLIE HINDS. She was born 04 Mar 1931 in Grove City, Mercer, PA.

More About FRANK ALESSIO:

Hobbies: Hunting, fishing, golfing

Military service: Bet. Sep 1944 - Jul 1946, US Army, First Army, World War II, Purple Heart

Occupation: Supervisor - Retired

More About DEE EAKIN:

Hobbies: Bridge, cooking

Occupation: Secretary - Retired

More About FRANK ALESSIO and DEE EAKIN:

Marriage: 17 Oct 1953, Grove City, Mercer, PA

Children of FRANK ALESSIO and DEE EAKIN are:

18. i. CYNTHIA⁴ ALESSIO, b. 19 Apr 1955, Grove City, Mercer, PA.
19. ii. STEVEN ALESSIO, b. 13 Dec 1957, Grove City, Mercer, PA.

5. JAMES FRANK³ ALESSIO (*PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 09 Aug 1929 in Volant, Lawrence, PA, and died 03 Apr 2004 in Butler Memorial Hospital, Butler, PA. He married LENA JOANN LOVAGLIO 25 Jun 1955 in Church of the Beloved Disciple, Grove City, Mercer, PA, daughter of AMBROSE LOVAGLIO and MARY FATIBINO. She was born 09 Mar 1930, and died 30 Apr 1998 in Grove City, Mercer, PA.

More About JAMES FRANK ALESSIO:

Burial: 07 Apr 2004, Crestview Memorial Park, Pine Twp., Mercer Co., PA

Hobbies: Gardening, Fishing, Hunting

Military service: Bet. 1952 - 1954, 25th Infantry Division, Ordnance Battalion 725, Korea

More About LENA JOANN LOVAGLIO:

Burial: Crestview Memorial Park, Pine Twp., Mercer Co., PA

More About JAMES ALESSIO and LENA LOVAGLIO:

Marriage: 25 Jun 1955, Church of the Beloved Disciple, Grove City, Mercer, PA

Children of JAMES ALESSIO and LENA LOVAGLIO are:

20. i. VINCENT A. "VINCE"⁴ ALESSIO, b. 05 Apr 1956, Grove City, Mercer, PA.
- ii. JOSEPH N. "JOEY" ALESSIO, b. 04 Apr 1958, Grove City, Mercer, PA; m. DIANNA WADE, 06 Aug 1994; b. 17 Jul 1969.

More About JOSEPH N. "JOEY" ALESSIO:

Hobbies: Cooking, H.S. Sports

Occupation: Custodial

More About DIANNA WADE:

Education: Jameson Memorial Nursing School

Hobbies: Collector of Boyds Bears, Reading, Writing

Occupation: Registered Nurse

More About JOSEPH ALESSIO and DIANNA WADE:

Marriage: 06 Aug 1994

- iii. MARY T. ALESSIO, b. 25 May 1962, Grove City, Mercer, PA.

More About MARY T. ALESSIO:

Education: Student at Slippery Rock University completing Special Education Degree; AA Penn State Human Services

Hobbies: Travel, Sports, Computers, Children
Occupation: Paraprofessional for Special Needs Children

6. CATHERINE "CATHY"³ ALESSIO (*PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 16 Dec 1930 in Volant, Lawrence, PA. She married TOM YONCHAK. He died Jan 2004 in Cleveland, OH.

Children of CATHERINE ALESSIO and TOM YONCHAK are:

- i. NORMA JEAN⁴ YONCHAK.
- ii. TOM YONCHAK.
- iii. ROBERT YONCHAK.
- iv. SUSAN YONCHAK.
- v. MARK YONCHAK.

7. TRESSA "TERRY"³ ALESSIO (*PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 20 Jul 1932 in Volant, Lawrence, PA. She married DOMINIC L. BELLISSIMO, son of BRUNO BELLISSIMO and VICTORIA DECARIA. He was born 12 Feb 1927 in Ellwood City, Lawrence, PA.

More About TRESSA "TERRY" ALESSIO:

Education: High School
Hobbies: Reading, Gardening
Occupation: Home-Keeper, Catering

More About DOMINIC L. BELLISSIMO:

Education: High School
Hobbies: Yardwork, Country Music
Occupation: Caretaker, Semi-Retired

Children of TRESSA ALESSIO and DOMINIC BELLISSIMO are:

21. i. JONATHON⁴ BELLISSIMO, b. 30 Mar 1955, Ellwood City, Lawrence, PA.
22. ii. MARIAN BELLISSIMO, b. 23 Sep 1956, Ellwood City, Lawrence, PA.
23. iii. JANICE BELLISSIMO, b. 13 Feb 1958, Ellwood City, Lawrence, PA.
24. iv. LYNDA BELLISSIMO, b. 12 May 1959, Ellwood City, Lawrence, PA.
- v. MICHAEL BELLISSIMO, b. 06 Sep 1961, Ellwood City, Lawrence, PA.
- vi. JAMES BELLISSIMO, b. 26 Mar 1965, Ellwood City, Lawrence, PA.

8. MARY "MAGGIE"³ ALESSIO (*PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 08 Dec 1933 in Volant, Lawrence, PA. She married RICHARD "RED" HENDRICKSON.

Children of MARY ALESSIO and RICHARD HENDRICKSON are:

- i. RICHARD⁴ HENDRICKSON.
- ii. HOLLY HENDRICKSON.
- iii. SHELLY HENDRICKSON.
- iv. KEITH HENDRICKSON.

9. ERVIA LUCY³ ALESSIO (*PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 07 May 1935 in Volant, PA. She married EUGENE KENNETH MARTINI 23 Aug 1958 in Church of the Beloved Disciple, Grove City, Mercer, PA, son of EUGENIO MARTINI and FILOMENA RICH. He was born 24 Jun 1932 in New Castle, Lawrence Co., PA.

More About ERVIA LUCY ALESSIO:

Education: BS Accounting, West Chester University, PA
Hobbies: Writing, walking, painting, opera
Medical Information: Syndactyly of right hand
Occupation: Technical Writer
Religion: Roman Catholic

More About EUGENE KENNETH MARTINI:

Education: BS Engineering, Youngstown State University, OH

Hobbies: Helping his kids with projects, opera, history

Latest Employer: Lukens Steel, Coatesville, PA (retired 1995)

Occupation: Metallurgical Engineer

More About EUGENE MARTINI and ERVIA ALESSIO:

Marriage: 23 Aug 1958, Church of the Beloved Disciple, Grove City, Mercer, PA

Children of ERVIA ALESSIO and EUGENE MARTINI are:

25. i. EUGENE KENNETH⁴ MARTINI, b. 24 Oct 1959, Pittsburgh, PA.
26. ii. PAMELA JEAN MARTINI, b. 24 Nov 1960, Pittsburgh, PA.
27. iii. GREGORY JOHN MARTINI, b. 23 May 1963, Pittsburgh, PA.
28. iv. GARY PHILIP MARTINI, b. 23 Aug 1965, Montgomery Co., MD.
29. v. KIRK PAUL MARTINI, b. 29 Nov 1966, Silver Spring, Prince George's Co., MD.
30. vi. JOAN MARIE MARTINI, b. 14 Mar 1968, West Chester, Chester, PA.
31. vii. JOHN DAVID MARTINI, b. 09 Sep 1970, Chester County Hospital, West Chester, Chester County, PA.

10. EDITH CATHERINE³ ALESSIO (*PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 15 Feb 1938 in Volant, Lawrence, PA. She married LYNN ANTHONY YOUNT 31 Oct 1964 in Church of the Beloved Disciple, Grove City, Mercer, PA, son of CONRAD YOUNT and FLORENCE LINNEMAN. He was born 26 Nov 1933 in Benson, Clayton Twp., Woodford, IL.

More About EDITH CATHERINE ALESSIO:

Education: Computer Technology

Hobbies: Walking, Music, Garden/Flowers, Family & Faith

Occupation: Computer Technician, USDA; J.C. Penney Associate

More About LYNN ANTHONY YOUNT:

Education: M.S. Degree

Hobbies: Church activities, Repair/build projects, Playing cards, Friends

Occupation: Education Administrator - Retired

More About LYNN YOUNT and EDITH ALESSIO:

Divorce: 07 Mar 1990

Marriage: 31 Oct 1964, Church of the Beloved Disciple, Grove City, Mercer, PA

Children of EDITH ALESSIO and LYNN YOUNT are:

32. i. REBECCA "BECKY" LYNN⁴ YOUNT, b. 19 Sep 1965, Bloomington, IL.
- ii. PHILIP "PHIL" ANTHONY YOUNT, b. 21 Sep 1967.

More About PHILIP "PHIL" ANTHONY YOUNT:

Hobbies: Writing, Computers

33. iii. WILLIAM "BILL" ANDREW YOUNT, b. 12 Aug 1971, Des Plaines, IL.
34. iv. KATHRYN MYRLE YOUNT, b. 06 Jan 1972, Lake Zurich, IL.
- v. BENJAMIN ALEXANDER YOUNT, b. 21 Sep 1974.
- vi. GINA MARIA YOUNT, b. 31 Mar 1976.

11. PAUL³ ALESSIO (*PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 20 Jul 1939 in Volant, Lawrence, PA. He married LINDA COMO 01 Oct 1966. She was born 03 May 1947.

More About PAUL ALESSIO:

Military service: US Army

Occupation: Electrician for Grove City College

More About LINDA COMO:

Occupation: Insurance Agent

More About PAUL ALESSIO and LINDA COMO:
Marriage: 01 Oct 1966

Children of PAUL ALESSIO and LINDA COMO are:

35. i. MARK⁴ ALESSIO, b. 27 Aug 1967.
- ii. CHRIS ALESSIO, b. 04 Aug 1969.
- iii. PAUL ALESSIO, b. 15 Apr 1972.

More About PAUL ALESSIO:
Occupation: US Army

12. SYLVIA "SUE"³ ALESSIO (*PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 28 Feb 1941 in Volant, Lawrence, PA. She married KEVIN LYNCH.

Children of SYLVIA ALESSIO and KEVIN LYNCH are:

- i. CHRIS⁴ LYNCH, b. 1963.
- ii. PATRICIA LYNCH, b. Sep 1964.
- iii. MARGARET LYNCH.
- iv. PHILLIP LYNCH.
- v. EDWARD LYNCH.
- vi. JOHN LYNCH.
- vii. SUSANNE LYNCH.

13. JOHN C.³ ALESSIO (*PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 17 Aug 1948 in Leesburg, Springfield Twp., Mercer, PA. He married JUDITH.

More About JOHN C. ALESSIO:
Education: 1981, Ph.D. Southern Illinois University, Carbondale
Occupation: Professor of Sociology & Anthropology, St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, Minnesota

Children of JOHN ALESSIO and JUDITH are:

- i. JOSHUA⁴ ALESSIO.
- ii. JULIA ALESSIO.
- iii. JEREMIAH ALESSIO.
- iv. JASON ALESSIO.

Generation No. 3

14. DEBRA M.⁴ LEWIS (*ROSE M.³ ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 25 Feb 1955 in New Castle, Lawrence, PA. She married GARY EDENS 06 Feb 1982 in Jacksonville, FL, son of EUGENE EDENS and RUTH UNKNOWN. He was born 04 May 1952 in Roanoke, VA.

More About DEBRA M. LEWIS:
Hobbies: Reading, Walking
Occupation: Manager - Prism Services

More About GARY EDENS:
Hobbies: Golf, Marketing
Occupation: Industrial Sales

More About GARY EDENS and DEBRA LEWIS:
Marriage: 06 Feb 1982, Jacksonville, FL

Children of DEBRA LEWIS and GARY EDENS are:

- i. SHELLY⁵ EDENS, b. 13 Nov 1984, Jacksonville, FL.
- ii. DAINA EDENS, b. 30 Jun 1988, Jacksonville, FL.

15. DANIEL D.⁴ LEWIS (*ROSE M.*³ *ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"*², *ANTONIO*¹) was born 27 Mar 1963 in Indianapolis, IN. He married (2) LISA FINLAY 28 Jun 2003 in Lutheran Church of the Good Shephard, King of Prussia, Montgomery Co., PA, daughter of WILLIAM FINLAY.

More About DANIEL D. LEWIS:

Hobbies: Fishing, Golf, Music

Occupation: CFO - Liberty Group Publishing

More About DANIEL LEWIS and LISA FINLAY:

Marriage: 28 Jun 2003, Lutheran Church of the Good Shephard, King of Prussia, Montgomery Co., PA

Child of DANIEL D. LEWIS is:

- i. DOLAN C.⁵ LEWIS, b. 30 Mar 1988, Arlington Heights, IL.

16. PAUL⁴ ALESSIO (*ANTHONY*³, *PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"*², *ANTONIO*¹) was born 17 Feb 1955 in New Castle, Lawrence, PA.

More About PAUL ALESSIO:

Education: University of Pittsburgh

Occupation: Engineer

Children of PAUL ALESSIO are:

- i. ELIZABETH⁵ ALESSIO, b. 29 Aug 1977.

More About ELIZABETH ALESSIO:

Education: Ohio State Univeristy

Occupation: Journalist

- ii. SARAH ALESSIO, b. 18 Jun 1982.

More About SARAH ALESSIO:

Education: University of Pittsburgh

Occupation: Student

17. DAVID⁴ ALESSIO (*ANTHONY*³, *PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"*², *ANTONIO*¹) was born 29 Dec 1959 in New Castle, Lawrence, PA. He married (2) LISA TROTH 14 Jun 1999 in Jamaica, daughter of WILLIAM TROTH and MARY GREEN. She was born 08 May 1964 in New Castle, Lawrence, PA.

More About DAVID ALESSIO:

Education: Electronics Institute

Occupation: Electronics Technician

More About LISA TROTH:

Occupation: Banquet Manager

More About DAVID ALESSIO and LISA TROTH:

Marriage: 14 Jun 1999, Jamaica

Child of DAVID ALESSIO is:

- i. RYAN⁵ ALESSIO, b. 22 Nov 1983, New Castle, Lawrence, PA.

Children of DAVID ALESSIO and LISA TROTH are:

- ii. NICOLE⁵ UNKNOWN, b. 18 Oct 1986, Pittsburgh, PA; Stepchild.
- iii. ALYSSA UNKNOWN, b. 26 Sep 1991, Ohio; Stepchild.

18. CYNTHIA⁴ ALESSIO (*FRANK*³, *PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"*², *ANTONIO*¹) was born 19 Apr 1955 in Grove City, Mercer, PA.

More About CYNTHIA ALESSIO:

Hobbies: Beach Lover

Occupation: School Teacher

Children of CYNTHIA ALESSIO are:

- i. MARCUS⁵ BAYSEK, b. 19 Jul 1975, Effingham, IL.

More About MARCUS BAYSEK:

Occupation: Law Enforcement Officer, Rocky Mount, NC

- ii. KRISTIN BAYSEK, b. 29 Sep 1984, Effingham, IL.

19. STEVEN⁴ ALESSIO (*FRANK*³, *PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"*², *ANTONIO*¹) was born 13 Dec 1957 in Grove City, Mercer, PA.

More About STEVEN ALESSIO:

Hobbies: Fishing & Hunting

Occupation: Supervisor

Children of STEVEN ALESSIO are:

- i. ALEX⁵ ALESSIO, b. 21 Dec 1988, Grove City, Mercer, PA.
- ii. ANDRIA ALESSIO, b. 26 Apr 1991, Grove City, Mercer, PA.

20. VINCENT A. "VINCE"⁴ ALESSIO (*JAMES FRANK*³, *PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"*², *ANTONIO*¹) was born 05 Apr 1956 in Grove City, Mercer, PA. He married PAULA BAKER 21 Jul 1990, daughter of PAUL BAKER and KAREN UNKNOWN. She was born 22 Feb 1963.

More About VINCENT A. "VINCE" ALESSIO:

Hobbies: Fishing and Hunting

Occupation: Machine Operator

More About PAULA BAKER:

Hobbies: Cooking and Bowling

Occupation: Pizza Maker

More About VINCENT ALESSIO and PAULA BAKER:

Marriage: 21 Jul 1990

Child of VINCENT ALESSIO and PAULA BAKER is:

- i. THERESA MARIE⁵ ALESSIO, b. 22 May 1991, Magee Women's Hospital, Pittsburgh, PA.

21. JONATHON⁴ BELLISSIMO (*TRESSA "TERRY"*³ *ALESSIO*, *PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"*², *ANTONIO*¹) was born 30 Mar 1955 in Ellwood City, Lawrence, PA. He married KIM TWENTIER, daughter of WILLIAM TWENTIER and SHIRLEY UNKNOWN. She was born 26 Jun 1955 in Ellwood City, Lawrence, PA.

More About JONATHON BELLISSIMO:

Occupation: Chemical Engineer

More About KIM TWENTIER:

Education: College
Hobbies: Reading
Occupation: Computer Consultant

Children of JONATHON BELLISSIMO and KIM TWENTIER are:

- i. JACLYN⁵ BELLISSIMO, b. 28 Aug 1983, Akron, OH.
- ii. JULIE BELLISSIMO, b. 04 Mar 1986, Akron, OH.
- iii. JENNIFER BELLISSIMO, b. 26 Aug 1990, Akron, OH.

22. MARIAN⁴ BELLISSIMO (*TRESSA "TERRY"³ ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 23 Sep 1956 in Ellwood City, Lawrence, PA. She married GEORGE PATRICK, son of GEORGE PATRICK and MARY UNKNOWN. He was born 30 Aug 1951 in Rochester, Beaver, PA.

More About MARIAN BELLISSIMO:

Education: B.S. Nursing
Hobbies: Crocheting, Cross-Stitching
Occupation: Registered Nurse

More About GEORGE PATRICK:

Education: Assoc. Degree, Computer Tech.
Hobbies: Golf, NASCAR Spectator, Dogs
Occupation: Craft Mechanic

Child of MARIAN BELLISSIMO and GEORGE PATRICK is:

- i. LINDSAY⁵ PATRICK, b. 17 Oct 1986, Beaver, Beaver, PA.

23. JANICE⁴ BELLISSIMO (*TRESSA "TERRY"³ ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 13 Feb 1958 in Ellwood City, Lawrence, PA. She married LLOYD BROWN. He was born 25 Jun 1949 in Toronto, Ohio.

More About JANICE BELLISSIMO:

Education: High School
Hobbies: Planting Flowers, Reading, Cooking
Occupation: Administrative Assistant

More About LLOYD BROWN:

Education: College Engineering
Hobbies: Golf, Coaching Baseball, Old Movies, Reading
Occupation: Project Planner

Children of JANICE BELLISSIMO and LLOYD BROWN are:

- i. ERIC⁵ BROWN, b. 16 Mar 1983, Beaver Co., PA.
- ii. TARA BROWN, b. 09 Dec 1986, Beaver Co., PA.

24. LYNDA⁴ BELLISSIMO (*TRESSA "TERRY"³ ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 12 May 1959 in Ellwood City, Lawrence, PA.

More About LYNDA BELLISSIMO:

Education: College, 4-yr
Hobbies: Crafts, Walking, Reading
Occupation: Caseworker

Child of LYNDA BELLISSIMO is:

- i. JONATHAN PAUL⁵ MINNOCCI, b. 23 Jan 1990, Ellwood City, Lawrence, PA.

25. EUGENE KENNETH⁴ MARTINI (*ERVIA LUCY³ ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 24 Oct 1959 in Pittsburgh, PA. He married SHARON ANN PACE 18 Jun 1988 in St. Boniface Church, Williamsport, Lycoming, PA, daughter of ROBERT PACE and BARBARA STIRRAT. She was born 16 Feb 1961 in Williamsport, Lycoming Co., PA.

More About EUGENE KENNETH MARTINI:

Education: MBA Villanova U; BS Chemical Engineering, Penn State U; Coatesville HS

Godchildren: Becky & Kenny Kimber, Marissa Martini, T.Heagy, & Steven Patton, Jr.

Hobbies: Guitar, Carpentry, Model Trains, Politics

Latest Employer: CDI Corp. Philadelphia, PA

Occupation: Project Manager, P.E.

Pets: Rozey the Vizsla

Religion: Roman Catholic

More About SHARON ANN PACE:

Baptism: Apr 1961, St. Boniface Church, Williamsport, PA

Confirmation: 1970, St. Ann's Church, Williamsport, PA

Degree: 1993, M.S. Chemistry, Villanova University, PA

Education: MS Chemistry, Villanova U; BA Biology, Lycoming College; Montoursville HS

First Communion: 1968, St. Ann's Church, Williamsport, PA

Godchildren: Marissa Martini

Hobbies: Genealogy, Horses, Golf, Numismatics

Latest Employer: 1996, American Chemical Society

Occupation: Housewife / Chemist

Pets: 1998, Rozey the Vizsla

Religion: Roman Catholic

More About EUGENE MARTINI and SHARON PACE:

Marriage: 18 Jun 1988, St. Boniface Church, Williamsport, Lycoming, PA

Child of EUGENE MARTINI and SHARON PACE is:

- i. NICOLE FRANCES⁵ MARTINI, b. 15 Jun 1991, Bryn Mawr, Montgomery Co., PA.

More About NICOLE FRANCES MARTINI:

Baptism: Dec 1991, St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Glen Mills, PA

Confirmation: 02 Jun 2003, St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Glen Mills, PA

Education: Garnet Valley Middle School

First Communion: Apr 1999, St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Glen Mills, PA

Hobbies: 1996, Piano, Swimming, Horseback Riding

Medical Information: fractured L clavicle during birth

Pets: 17 Mar 2004, Chips Mister Mario - Quarter Horse

Religion: Dec 1991, Roman Catholic

26. PAMELA JEAN⁴ MARTINI (*ERVIA LUCY³ ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 24 Nov 1960 in Pittsburgh, PA. She married JAMES R. KIMBER 20 Aug 1983 in St. Cecilia's, Coatesville, PA, son of WILLIAM KIMBER and PATRICIA MOYNIHAN. He was born 09 Nov 1958 in Philadelphia, PA.

More About PAMELA JEAN MARTINI:

Education: 1982, MS & BS Education, Millersville U; BS Chemical Engineering, Penn State U; Coatesville HS

Hobbies: Gardening, music, reading, baking

Latest Employer: Spring Grove School District

Occupation: Chemistry Teacher, Spring Grove High School

Religion: Roman Catholic

More About JAMES R. KIMBER:

Education: 1982, BS Chemical Engineering, Penn State U; Danville HS

Hobbies: Jogging, yard work, reading
Latest Employer: Glatfelter Paper, Spring Grove, PA
Occupation: Chemical Engineer, QC

More About JAMES KIMBER and PAMELA MARTINI:
Marriage: 20 Aug 1983, St. Cecilia's, Coatesville, PA

Children of PAMELA MARTINI and JAMES KIMBER are:

- i. REBECCA JANE⁵ KIMBER, b. 20 Aug 1984, York, York, PA.

More About REBECCA JANE KIMBER:
Graduation: Jun 2002, Spring Grove Area High School
Hobbies: Reading, acting, volunteer work, swimming, bells, piano

- ii. JAMES KIMBER, JR., b. 21 Oct 1986, York, York, PA.

More About JAMES KIMBER, JR.:
Hobbies: Piano, Cello, Rollerblading, Running

- iii. KENNETH EUGENE KIMBER, b. 30 Oct 1988, York, York, PA.

More About KENNETH EUGENE KIMBER:
Hobbies: Books, Disney videos, playground, music

27. GREGORY JOHN⁴ MARTINI (*ERVIA LUCY³ ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 23 May 1963 in Pittsburgh, PA. He married MARIE PITCHERELLA 22 Jun 1991 in Holy Rosary Church, Coatesville, PA, daughter of JOHN PITCHERELLA and NANCY CIALINI. She was born 26 Apr 1967 in Coatesville, Chester, PA.

More About GREGORY JOHN MARTINI:
Education: BS Computer Sci, Villanova U; Coatesville HS
Godchildren: James Kimber, Jr., Katie Martini,
Hobbies: Computers, trap shooting, lint hockey
Latest Employer: SAP, Philadelphia, PA
Occupation: Consultant
Religion: Roman Catholic

More About MARIE PITCHERELLA:
Education: BS Accounting, Villanova U; Coatesville HS
Latest Employer: Pitcherella's Pharmacy
Occupation: Housewife, Accountant
Pets: Balloo, Sherkhan the cats
Religion: Roman Catholic

More About GREGORY MARTINI and MARIE PITCHERELLA:
Marriage: 22 Jun 1991, Holy Rosary Church, Coatesville, PA

Children of GREGORY MARTINI and MARIE PITCHERELLA are:

- i. MARISSA MARIE⁵ MARTINI, b. 07 Sep 1996, Coatesville, Chester, PA.
- ii. GIANNA MARIE MARTINI, b. 04 Aug 1998, Coatesville, Chester, PA.

28. GARY PHILIP⁴ MARTINI (*ERVIA LUCY³ ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 23 Aug 1965 in Montgomery Co., MD. He married SUSAN POFF 30 Apr 1988 in St. Cecilia's, Coatesville, Chester, PA, daughter of RICHARD POFF and MARTHA KRURENDA. She was born 20 Apr 1965 in Coatesville, Chester, PA.

More About GARY PHILIP MARTINI:

Education: BS Grove City College; Coatesville HS
Godchildren: Nicole Martini
Hobbies: Golf, Fishing, Reading
Latest Employer: Construction Fastener Inc., Reading, PA
Occupation: Vice President Sales & Marketing
Religion: Roman Catholic

More About SUSAN POFF:
Education: Coatesville HS
Godchildren: Nicole Martini
Hobbies: Reading, gardening, piano, writing
Occupation: Housewife
Religion: Roman Catholic

More About GARY MARTINI and SUSAN POFF:
Marriage: 30 Apr 1988, St. Cecilia's, Coatesville, Chester, PA

Children of GARY MARTINI and SUSAN POFF are:

- i. KRISTA SUZETTE⁵ MARTINI, b. 04 Mar 1989, New Jersey.

More About KRISTA SUZETTE MARTINI:
Hobbies: Running Track, Drawing, Piano

- ii. THERESA JEANETTE MARTINI, b. 31 Oct 1991, Coatesville, Chester, PA.

More About THERESA JEANETTE MARTINI:
Hobbies: Tennis, Running track, Piano

- iii. PAUL FREDERICK MARTINI, b. 23 Jul 1996, Coatesville, Chester, PA.

More About PAUL FREDERICK MARTINI:
Hobbies: Baseball, Drawing, Bears, Outdoor play

- iv. NATALIE ROSE MARTINI, b. 29 Apr 1999, Coatesville, Chester, PA.

More About NATALIE ROSE MARTINI:
Hobbies: Books, Coloring, helping in Garden, taking walks

29. KIRK PAUL⁴ MARTINI (*ERVIA LUCY³ ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 29 Nov 1966 in Silver Spring, Prince George's Co., MD. He married ESTRELLA PEREZ 13 Jul 1991 in St. Cecilia's, Coatesville, PA, daughter of GILBERTO PEREZ and ESTRELLA FERNANDEZ. She was born 15 Mar 1969 in Madrid, Spain.

More About KIRK PAUL MARTINI:
Education: MS EE, Villanova U; BS EE Penn State U; Coatesville HS
Hobbies: Soccer, Hockey
Latest Employer: Lukens Steel, Conshohocken, PA
Occupation: Supervisor of Process Control

More About ESTRELLA PEREZ:
Education: BS CE Villanova U; Radnor HS
Hobbies: Art
Latest Employer: Brown & Root Engineering
Occupation: Housewife / Civil Engineer
Religion: Non-denominational

More About KIRK MARTINI and ESTRELLA PEREZ:
Marriage: 13 Jul 1991, St. Cecilia's, Coatesville, PA

Children of KIRK MARTINI and ESTRELLA PEREZ are:

- i. KATHERINE ANN⁵ MARTINI, b. 13 Jan 1995, Bryn Mawr, Montgomery Co., PA.

More About KATHERINE ANN MARTINI:
Hobbies: Arts & Crafts

- ii. CAROLINE MARIA MARTINI, b. 09 Apr 1997, Bryn Mawr, Montgomery Co., PA.

More About CAROLINE MARIA MARTINI:
Hobbies: Arts & Crafts

- iii. JOSEPH GILBERTO MARTINI, b. 09 Jul 2000, Bryn Mawr, Montgomery Co., PA.

More About JOSEPH GILBERTO MARTINI:
Christening: 15 Oct 2000, Marsh Creek Church, Lionville, PA

30. JOAN MARIE⁴ MARTINI (*ERVIA LUCY³ ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 14 Mar 1968 in West Chester, Chester, PA. She married TOMMY ALLEN BROWN, MD 03 Nov 1991 in St. Cecilia's, Coatesville, PA, son of ROBERT RUSSELL BROWN. He was born 04 Apr 1964 in Skiatook, Oklahoma.

More About JOAN MARIE MARTINI:
Education: BS Nursing, Villanova U; Coatesville HS
Hobbies: Painting, Writing
Occupation: Housewife / Registered Nurse
Pets: Cocoa
Religion: Roman Catholic

More About TOMMY ALLEN BROWN, MD:
Education: MD Oklahoma State U;
Latest Employer: US Army
Military service: US Army
Occupation: General Surgeon, Physician, US Army

More About TOMMY BROWN and JOAN MARTINI:
Marriage: 03 Nov 1991, St. Cecilia's, Coatesville, PA

Children of JOAN MARTINI and TOMMY BROWN are:

- i. TOMMY⁵ BROWN, b. 22 Jun 1992, Oklahoma City, OK.
- ii. ALEXANDRA "LUCY" BROWN, b. 02 Oct 1993, Oklahoma City, OK.
- iii. JONATHAN EUGENE BROWN, b. 18 Jun 1996, Fort Lee, Washington.

31. JOHN DAVID⁴ MARTINI (*ERVIA LUCY³ ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 09 Sep 1970 in Chester County Hospital, West Chester, Chester County, PA. He married KELLY CHRISTINE MILLER 07 Aug 1993 in First United Methodist Church, Warren, Warren, PA, daughter of JOHN MILLER and DIANE COX. She was born 07 Nov 1971 in Durham, NC.

More About JOHN DAVID MARTINI:
Education: JD Villanova U; BS Grove City College; Coatesville HS
Godchildren: Lucy Brown
Hobbies: Soccer, Hockey, Weight-lifting
Latest Employer: Morgan, Lewis, Bockius, Philadelphia, PA
Occupation: Attorney
Religion: Roman Catholic

More About KELLY CHRISTINE MILLER:
Education: 1993, MA Seton Hall U; BS Communications, Grove City College; Kane HS

Hobbies: Gardening, reading
Latest Employer: United Methodist Church Women's Division
Occupation: Technical Writer
Religion: United Methodist

More About JOHN MARTINI and KELLY MILLER:
Marriage: 07 Aug 1993, First United Methodist Church, Warren, Warren, PA

Children of JOHN MARTINI and KELLY MILLER are:

- i. TALIA CELESTE⁵ MARTINI, b. 02 Feb 2000, Paoli, Chester, PA.

More About TALIA CELESTE MARTINI:
Baptism: Downingtown United Methodist

- ii. JOHN DAVID MARTINI, JR., b. 19 Oct 2004, Chester County Hospital, West Chester, Chester County, Pennsylvania.
- iii. CARLOS HUMBERTO MARTINI, b. 08 May 2006, Guatemala; Adopted child.

32. REBECCA "BECKY" LYNN⁴ YOUNT (*EDITH CATHERINE³ ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 19 Sep 1965 in Bloomington, IL. She married WILLIAM ANDREW "ANDY" CREEK 30 May 1987 in St. Anthony's Church, Bartonville, IL, son of BILLY CREEK and NORMA ULERY. He was born 25 Jul 1965 in Bartonville, IL.

More About REBECCA "BECKY" LYNN YOUNT:
Education: B.S. Degree
Hobbies: Reading, Shopping, Theatre
Occupation: Kindergarten Teacher

More About WILLIAM ANDREW "ANDY" CREEK:
Education: B.S. Degree
Hobbies: Golf, Guitar
Occupation: Supervisor of Education

More About WILLIAM CREEK and REBECCA YOUNT:
Marriage: 30 May 1987, St. Anthony's Church, Bartonville, IL

Child of REBECCA YOUNT and WILLIAM CREEK is:

- i. NICHOLAS ANDREW⁵ CREEK, b. 29 Mar 1991, Portsmouth, VA.

More About NICHOLAS ANDREW CREEK:
Education: St. Thomas Grade School
Hobbies: Baseball, Soccer, Basketball, Golf

33. WILLIAM "BILL" ANDREW⁴ YOUNT (*EDITH CATHERINE³ ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 12 Aug 1971 in Des Plaines, IL. He married ANDREA NOTARY 02 Jul 1994 in Sacred Heart Church, Peoria, IL, daughter of FRANK NOTARY and CHRIS UNKNOWN. She was born 05 Oct 1971 in Illinois.

More About WILLIAM "BILL" ANDREW YOUNT:
Education: M.S. Degree
Hobbies: Kids
Occupation: Auto Underwriting Supervisor

More About ANDREA NOTARY:
Hobbies: Travel, School, Kids
Occupation: Travel Agent

More About WILLIAM YOUNT and ANDREA NOTARY:
Marriage: 02 Jul 1994, Sacred Heart Church, Peoria, IL

Children of WILLIAM YOUNT and ANDREA NOTARY are:
i. HANNAH⁵ YOUNT, b. 11 Nov 1995, St. Francis Hospital, Peoria, IL.
ii. LAUREN YOUNT, b. 18 Oct 1997, St. Francis Hospital, Peoria, IL.

34. KATHRYN MYRLE⁴ YOUNT (*EDITH CATHERINE³ ALESSIO, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 06 Jan 1972 in Lake Zurich, IL. She married MATTHEW R. RADEMAKER 01 Oct 1994 in Peoria, IL, son of RAY RADEMAKER and BILLIE MCCAHERN. He was born 02 Sep 1971 in Peoria, IL.

More About KATHRYN MYRLE YOUNT:
Education: B.S. Social Work, Illinois State University
Hobbies: Violin, crafts, reading, boating, biking
Occupation: Social Worker

More About MATTHEW R. RADEMAKER:
Education: Associate's Degree, Illinois Central College
Hobbies: Volunteer Firefighter, hunting, biking, fishing, boating
Occupation: Rademaker Construction, Inc.

More About MATTHEW RADEMAKER and KATHRYN YOUNT:
Marriage: 01 Oct 1994, Peoria, IL

Children of KATHRYN YOUNT and MATTHEW RADEMAKER are:
i. JOSHUA WILLIAM⁵ RADEMAKER, b. 22 Jun 1989; Adopted child.
ii. JESTON MATTHEW RADEMAKER, b. 22 Apr 1998.
iii. MACY CATHERINE RADEMAKER, b. 28 Dec 1999.
iv. NOLAN RADEMAKER, b. 2001.

35. MARK⁴ ALESSIO (*PAUL³, PAOLO ANTONIO "PAUL"², ANTONIO¹*) was born 27 Aug 1967. He married KAY SMALL 1996.

More About MARK ALESSIO:
Occupation: Air Traffic Controller

More About MARK ALESSIO and KAY SMALL:
Marriage: 1996

Child of MARK ALESSIO and KAY SMALL is:
i. MITCHELL MARK⁵ ALESSIO, b. 17 Feb 1997.

Endnotes

1. *PA Vital Statistics Death Certificates*, Certificate File No. 88387* ? (illegible).
2. *PA Vital Statistics Death Certificates*, File No. 126424, Certificate of Death: Mrs. Teresa Allesio Cause of death: Multiple cysts of left ovary which required operation, malignant. Contributory: operation shock.
3. *PA Vital Statistics Death Certificates*, Certificate File No. 017739.

Ancestors of Paolo Antonio "Paul" Alessio

Parents

Grandparents

Antonio Alessio

b: in Italy
d: Abt. 1897

Paolo Antonio "Paul" Alessio

b: 09 Apr 1894 in Canolo, Calabria, Italy
m: Sep 1928 in Canolo, Calabria, Italy
d: 18 Jan 1971 in Grove City, Mercer
Co., PA

Vincenzo Alessio

Francesco Alessio

b: Abt. 1892 in Canolo, Calabria, Italy

Carmen "Michael" Siliciano

Caterina Siciliano

b: in Italy
d: Aft. 1928

Teresa Longo

Ancestors of Teresa Filipponi

Parents

Bruno Filipponi

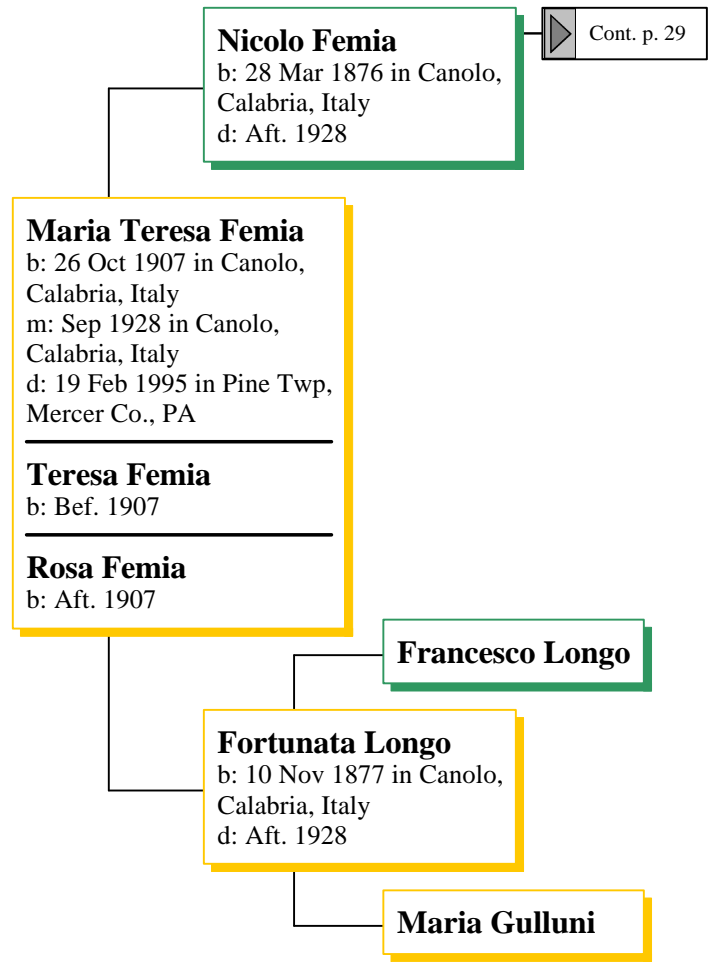
Teresa Filipponi

b: 01 Feb 1899 in Gerace,
Reggio Calabria, Italy
m: Abt. 1921 in Canolo,
Calabria, Italy
d: 21 Dec 1926 in Mercer
Hospital, Mercer, PA

Maria Siciliano

Ancestors of Maria Teresa Femia

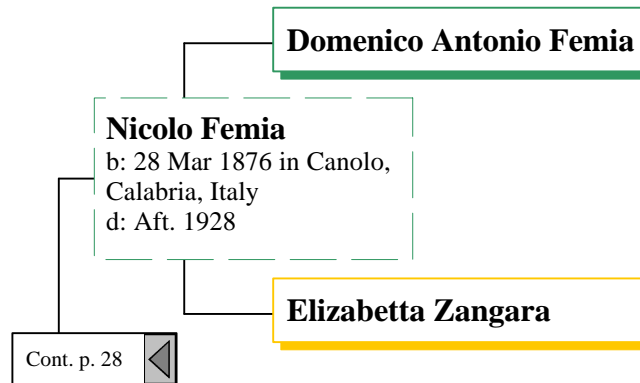
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Ancestors of Maria Teresa Femia

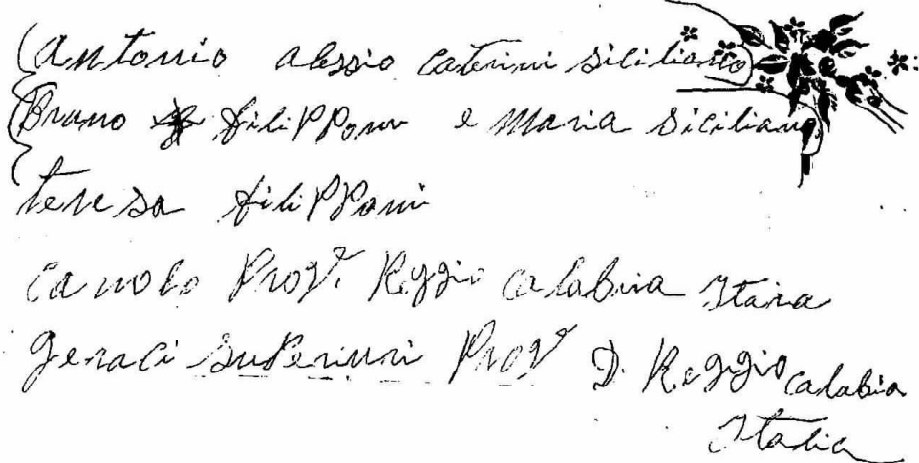
Parents

Grandparents



Family Contributions

Pop's Handwritten Legacy



Here it begins.
Paolo

Alessio wanted his family heritage preserved and remembered. The name comes from the Greek alexios meaning defender. Saint Alexis of Rome or Alessio was known as the "Man of God" in the 5th century. The Pope and people were instructed by the voice of God and the visions of the Blessed Virgin to seek the Man of God, who rejected his aristocratic family and chose a life of poverty and devotion. The patron of beggars and pilgrims, Alexis is portrayed as holding a staircase and a parchment script revealing his name and history.

Paolo Alessio came from Canolo, a small village in southern Italy, in the Province of Calabria. During the times the Alessio and Femia families lived in Canolo it was situated in the Novito valley, but due to damage from earthquakes and the 1951 flood, it was later moved 10 km to the Zomaro plain and called Canolo Nuova. The patron Saint is Nicholas, whose feast day is celebrated on December 6th. Homemade bread, pasta with boleti mushrooms and goat and lamb are typical staples of the local cuisine.

Many of the Alessio family members have contributed glimpses of their lives in this wonderful family. Together they sketch each frame giving a multi-faceted perspective of the lives of their parents and their roles in this family as first generation Italian-Americans. They were raised on a farm in western Pennsylvania during some of the most arduous times this country has ever endured, including the Great Depression, World War II and the Korean War. These memories will be treasured by their children and grandchildren as a time of commencement and hope.

Rose's Memory

My mother was about 5'9" tall with a shapely figure and black hair. One thing that I remember:

One day, I begged her to let me iron, and she said,

Someday I will have help, but I won't live to see it.”

She knew she didn't have long to live. Not long later, she went to the hospital for surgery and never came back. I asked Pop where was Mom. He said, “She went to Heaven.” Being only five years old, and not knowing what Heaven was, I remember being very angry with her because she didn't take me with her.

Tony's Memories

We have all heard the saying, "Never look back," but at times I do think back of our growing up years. I have no memories of my biological mother, but the Lord sent us a mother to be proud of. I have so many wonderful memories that I will cherish all the days of my life. There were many of us at home and there was always plenty to eat, but some may not of been so happy with what Mom prepared but Mom had an old saying "Mo thee fatcha Brozzoli." I never knew what a brozzoli was at the time.

Tony Alessio

Jim's Memories

(as retold by Mary Alessio)

Grandpa Alessio knew that the well was near dry and knew it would need cleaned out. He told my Dad, (his Jimmy, who then was probably about 12 years old about the well going dry and needing cleaned and he would get to it later in the day or the next day. Well, his Jimmy decided he wanted to help, so he grabbed a bucket and crawled down in the well himself with no one around!

Sure enough, he thought he could bail out what needed to be done "Wrong," He got stuck couldn't move or crawl back out so, he started to scream for help!! Luckily, some one from the family heard the cry and found him down in the well! They gathered a rope handed it to him to grab ahold and then pulled him to the rescue!! Well, unbeknown to him, Grandpa was waiting for him to get pulled out. He looked at his Jimmy never said are you OK? He waited till he turned around and gave him a boot in the butt!! Needless to say he never helped clean the well. The boot in the butt was his appreciation for his effort.

Terry's Memories

The day Jimmy went down to clean the well and couldn't get out. I know that if that happened today, he would be on TV. It was working up a storm. All the neighbors were there helping.

When he did get out, Grandpa almost kicked him back in.

The day Japan bombed Pearl Harbor. Grandpa and some of the neighbor men were butchering a pig. All of us younger kids were sitting around the pot belly stove. I can still feel the pit in my stomach, listening to the adults talking and seeing how concerned they were.

Terry's Favorite Prayer

Dear God, help me to

Do all the good I can
By all the means I can
In all the ways I can
In all the places I can
At all the times I can
To all the people I can
As long as I can.

Ervia's Memories

Being a middle child loses its significance in a family of fifteen children except for the fact that you are always surrounded by older and younger siblings. The middle is where I happened to fall in our large family.

Although we were poor, I always felt contented and secure. My father and mother sacrificed together, and we knew it was for us. At first, my father worked as many hours as the coal mine would allow, gathered wild mushrooms and hunted wild game for my mother to cook, and made wine. My mother nursed her babies, gathered wild greens, made coffee, and baked bread. Gradually, food became more plentiful as my father went to work in a factory; and my mother cooked from the garden in the summer and canned and preserved for winter. But there was always wine and that wonderful bread and coffee, still my favorite food.

Devout Catholics, my parents looked to God for help in overcoming obstacles and were vocal in their praise and thanksgiving when their prayers were answered. Through all of those years of struggle, they never complained or stopped to feel sorry for themselves. With each setback, they worked harder, confident that God was on their side.

I remember the first time I prayed. I must have been four or five years old. My sisters and I were playing in the living/dining room, a large room next to the kitchen with a pot-belly stove in the corner near the kitchen, a large table at the other end of the room near the window, and chairs scattered along the remainder of the wall. My parents came into the room from the kitchen. They must have been discussing concerns about our lack of religious education because when my father came in, he knelt down and told us to do as he did. We knelt; and when he made the Sign of the Cross, we did the same. My mother knelt, too. Then, my father and mother began to pray in Italian.

Later, my father must have gone to a nearby church and expressed his concerns. None of the children in that rural, coal mining area had received the sacraments or been exposed to any religious education. We had no means of transportation and never attended mass.

One summer day, a car stopped along the dirt road at the edge of our yard. A man I had never seen before greeted me jovially and said he was looking for Paul Alessio. I pointed to my mother as she approached us. She obviously

noticed his collar and was pleased to see him. He said his name was Father Mika, and he had been sent by the diocese to prepare the local children for their sacraments. When he finished speaking with my mother, he had arranged to collect the children in the area on a regular basis and bring them to our house, where he would teach us the catechism and prepare us for the sacraments. He enlisted my oldest sister, Rose's, help in teaching.

He was great with kids; we loved his boisterous manner. I will never forget sitting in our living room following along as his booming voice taught us to sing hymns, *Come Holy Ghost* in particular, and then afterwards, his raving about the Kool-Aid my mother served.

He used his car to drive us to a church to practice for the sacraments and then picked us up again and took us to receive them. He arranged with our neighbor, Frank Guarnieri, to hear confessions and say mass in his home once a month.

Frank Guarnieri, my father's closest friend, had become wealthy bootlegging whiskey during the prohibition days and had helped my father many times. He owned a huge farm across the road from us with a beautifully furnished house. The only member of our small parish who had been an altar boy in his youth, Mr. Guarnieri would sit next to the altar-dressed buffet in his dining room, where Fr. Mika said mass, and give the appropriate Latin responses. We could walk to his home; and for a long time, that was the only mass we attended. These were World War II years and our family was going through some changes.

World War II began in December of 1941. Rose was 19 years old at the time and could not get a job because she had no transportation. The following year, our cousin, Helen Siciliano, came to visit us from Detroit, Michigan, and invited Rose to live with her in Detroit, where jobs were plentiful. My father consented, and so, Rose left home. I remember missing her. I missed hearing my mother and her chattering in the kitchen while they cooked and did other household chores. We were still a large family, but the house seemed empty without her. But it wasn't long before we began looking forward to packages from her for our birthdays and Christmas.

In July of 1943, Tony was drafted into the Navy. He was willing to serve his country, but was disappointed in being selected for the Navy. He had never swum in his life and had a fear of water. But he would have to learn to deal with that fear. He was on a ship assigned to European waters and at times stayed at sea for seven or eight months duration. When this happened, with the enemy in the area, he could not communicate with us. Christmas, 1943, was very sad at our house. My father and mother hadn't heard from Tony for months and were sure he had been killed. That was the only Christmas I can remember that we didn't celebrate. My parents were in mourning and could hardly speak. I remember my aunt and cousin bringing a tray of cookies and trying to cheer us; but my mother and father sat, eyes to the floor, barely acknowledging them.

Tony also witnessed the horror of the D-Day invasion, transporting soldiers across the Channel from England to Normandy with German air fire raining down on him. He served in the Navy for 33 months and was discharged on St. Patrick's Day in 1946.

Frank was drafted into the Army in July of 1944. He was assigned to the U. S. First Army. His basic training was cut by two weeks; and in December of 1944, he was sent to Germany as one of the replacements for the many troops that had been killed in the Battle of the Bulge. On March 13, 1945, he was wounded in battle while crossing the Ruhr and was transported to a hospital in Verdun, France. He spent a month, including his 19th birthday, in that hospital, then was sent back to the front with his troops to cross the Rhine into Germany. When the war ended, he was assigned to stand guard outside the cells of the war criminals and behind the criminals during the Neuremberg trials. During this time, Frank had requested a leave so that he could travel to Italy to visit relatives. The day after the leave was approved, he received permission to come home. He decided against the trip to Italy; and so, in July of 1946, soon after he heard the trial verdict, he came home.

My mother spent much of December, 1944, in and out of the hospital in labor with Virginia, her eleventh child. It was a very cold, snowy December and hard for all of us. I remember my father walking out into the cold to meet his ride to work. Before leaving he would give Jimmy, then 15, and Cathy, then 14, instructions as to what they were to do for us. They were very mature and responsible, and I felt secure with them taking care of us. It was scary, though, having my mother sick. We knew of a little girl in school whose mother had died recently; and now that I knew mothers could die, I would lie awake at night worrying and imagining what my life would be like without her.

On December 22, Virginia was born. We had had a quiet Christmas celebration, this time without our mother; but at least, we knew she was well and would be coming home soon. My mother brought Virginia home on December 31; and that night, New Year's Eve, my father bought us treats to celebrate. It was a bitter, blizzardy night. Snow was coming down fast and blowing into deep drifts so that the road was impassable. When the wind howled, we could almost feel the wooden frame of this house, to which my father and a friend had hurriedly added rooms, shaking. The cold air blew into the house through the spaces surrounding the windows and left small deposits of snow on some of the sills. We crowded around the pot-belly stove, just happy to be safe inside with our mother and father again.

We always enjoyed shelling and eating nuts on holidays. That night when we had finished eating, we scooped the nut shells into the stove, fueling the fire. The fire roared, sending huge flames and sparks soaring, reaching upward to escape through the narrow stove pipe that cut through the ceiling and on through the roof.

When the party was over, we younger children went to our beds in the two rooms on either side of the living room. Our bedroom doors were left open to catch the warmth from the living room. Maggie, a year and a half older than I, always stayed up late with her ear to the radio. That night, I had just gotten warm in my bed when I heard her ask my father what *that* was. She was looking behind the stove towards the ceiling corner in a space where the wall did not quite meet the ceiling. I heard my father mention *fire*. Then I heard the commotion. My father sounded frightened, but he kept telling everyone not to worry, he would get the fire out. He kept running to the kitchen for water, but the

wind kept fanning the flames, and the fire kept spreading. Terri, carrying Esther, got all of us out of bed and herded us into the stone food storage shed near the house. There, we stood, coatless, shoeless, calling for help, waiting and hoping for our father to come and tell us the fire was out. But instead, he told us we would have to move because the fire was blowing toward the shed. Jimmy and Cathy tried to save some of our belongings, but they could not throw them far enough, and the fire, carried by the wind, found them and destroyed them. Knowing we were freezing, Jimmy grabbed blankets off my mother's bed and brought them into the shed for us. Without realizing it, he had picked up Baby Virginia with the blankets. My mother found her when she came looking for her and heard her crying in the blankets.

We pushed our way through the deep snow to our kind neighbor's house a quarter of a mile away. When we got there, our fingers and toes were frostbitten. Other neighbors came over to help and tried to comfort my mother, but she wouldn't hear anyone until she knew we were all safe. I can still see her shaking people off while she counted her children by name. I don't know where our neighbors slept that night because they gave us their beds. Even though they covered us with blankets, I could not stop shaking. I lay awake, terrified that the fire would travel to this house and we would have to move again.

We were all safe. And fortunately for my father, he had already made a down payment on a large farmhouse. He did not plan to move until Spring, but the owner accommodated us and arranged for us to move in shortly after the fire.

Rose came home later that year and found an apartment in New Castle, where she worked. Frank and Tony came home in 1946, and our house was full again for a while, but not for long. In 1947, we had our first wedding when Rose married Homer Lewis. In 1952, Tony married Dolores Dinucci. In 1953 Frank married Delores Eakin.

Also in 1952, Jimmy was drafted into the Korean War. He was in Ordnance Battalion 725 of the 25th Infantry Division. In January of 1953, he went to Korea. For the last six months of the war, he was stationed behind the front lines at the Chorwon Valley near what was later the demilitarized zone. His company supplied the front lines with weapons and other needs. He worked as a mechanic, repairing weapons. He witnessed China's last major drive to reach Seoul when 70,000 Chinese and North Koreans attempted to cross the Chorwon Valley. He says the UN troops were ready for them. He remembers the barbed wire strung across the line in an attempt to slow the drive. He said that even though it was night, the light from the massive gun-fire explosions turned the battlefield into day. A cease-fire followed that battle, and Jimmy spent the following year performing war clean-up and occupation duties. He came home in July of 1954 and married Lena Lovaglio in June of 1955.

Then one by one, each of the remaining children left home, either to marry or to find employment. Paul served in the Army, stationed in the U. S., for two years in the early 1960's. The family scattered. My father and mother sold the farm in 1964 and moved to Grove City.

My father died in January of 1971 of heart failure. My mother and some of

my siblings were with him when he died. We, his children, mourned him and prayed for him together, as he would have wanted us to.

My mother was not so fortunate. She lived more years than my father, and in later years, could not manage without help. Her children could not agree on how best to care for her. When she died of heart failure in February of 1995, the family was divided. I feel that we let her down, and I am sorry. I hope she has forgiven us.

My happiest memories are of those large gatherings where all of the family was together, celebrating a holiday or other special occasion. My father and mother would discuss the meal days in advance. My father would buy the groceries; and my mother would prepare the food, probably beginning the day before and for the entire day of the feast. Only for these special occasions would they, somehow, crowd all of us into the dining room together. The meal always included my mother's best cooking and my father's homemade wine.

At every such occasion, when we had eaten our fill and the noise from laughter and argument had risen to a painful pitch, my father stood, wine glass in hand, and called for quiet. Respectfully, we hushed and smiled in anticipation for his tribute to the One who made it all possible. He thanked God, not only for the food, but also for giving him us. He would always say that, although he didn't have money, "I am a rich man." We loved hearing it and knew that my mother, sitting quietly next to him, too exhausted from the cooking to comment, agreed with everything he said. Except on one occasion.

For my parents' twenty-fifth anniversary, many of us, now grown and independent, planned a party for them. Tony and Dolores offered their house, so we worked together there, cooking, baking, and setting tables. (I remember rolling tiny meatballs for wedding soup.)

When my mother and father came to the door, all of us were there to greet them with our cheers and congratulations. They stepped inside and stood awkwardly, humbly uncomfortable in this unfamiliar role as honored guests. Their eyes glistened, and they were visibly shaken from the emotions of the moment.

During the meal, they sat quietly as we served them. But, fortified by the wine, at the end of the meal, my father gained his composure and stood. As usual, we hushed and listened, old enough now to understand and appreciate his sentiments. He had much to praise God for, and he did so at length. His sons had survived the war; other children had survived serious illnesses; some were married to good people; and some were thriving independently. As my mother sat quietly next to him, he thanked us, on her behalf, for the dinner. And, this time, when he thanked God for us, he declared how happy he was that he had had a large family, and that he would be happy to have even more children. At this, my mother cocked her head, looked up at him, and said, "*You* have them."

The room erupted with laughter. Needless to say, the spell was broken. But the levity of that moment did not diminish my father's message. I have never forgotten it. I thank my mother and father today for giving me faith in God's love. That faith has sustained me during many episodes in my life. It has guided me when I didn't know what to do and given me strength to do what was

necessary. It is the best inheritance anyone could receive. I am a rich woman.

Edith's Memories

I'd like to share flashes of good memories:

I will forever remember the large oak tree with a long-roped swing at our first home. This is one of my earliest memories of being pushed way up into the branches & my heart pounding with excitement & joy. This is a memory that has vividly stayed with me.

When I went to school it meant so much for me to be able to be running up the lane at the farm & look up at mum & pup's bedroom window & there mum would be looking out at us coming home. Later, I loved getting up early when I visited mom & taking that walk to church with her. Then we would come home and make breakfast together. I loved to hear her sing and I loved to listen to the stories of her childhood. She always dreamed of coming to America. and told me she would sit on this hill and dream of coming to America and she would see little fairy-like beings at a distance dancing around in circles. I am in awe that not only did she come to America, but married the man she really loved after refusing to marry a man chosen by the family.

I have a special memory of just pup & me picking cucumbers in a field and me carrying the basket along. It was a happy time. It was one of the few memories I have of just me and pup doing something alone together. I used to love to sing my "operetta" songs while milking or washing milk cans because I knew pup got a kick out of it.

I am thankful for mum & pup's strong faith and endurance.

In raising my family the memories--

Are too overwhelming to even begin to put on paper. The awe of having each child was like a whole new miracle each time; and every step, the good and bad, the joyful and sorrowful, have been a gift of growth from God. The joy of each birth! The first day of school for each (the tears after they were gone!) The races around the house. The neighborhood baseball games & cool aid, cool aid, cool aid. The girl's slumber parties and pizza, pizza, pizza. And the spirited enthusiasm growing up. My message to children today and tomorrow that a priest said and I truly believe, "Life is not a problem to be solved; but a mystery to be lived with love, and in trust in the Lord."

The Yount Family

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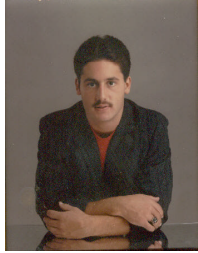
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Family Recipes

Rose's Bows or Gloves (Guanti)

12 Eggs
7 C Flour
2 T Oil
2 T Sugar
2 T vanilla or anise
2 t baking powder

Mix and knead well, let stand for one hour. Slice and roll very thin, cut in 2 x 3" or bigger if you like and slit middle push one end through slit and bow effect. Deep fry in oil, while warm toss in brown bag of powdered sugar and shake. Makes one bushel.

Good luck. God bless all. Love to all.

Rose M. Alessio Lewis

Terry's Soft Sugar Cookies

1 C Butter or oleo
2 C Sugar
3 Eggs
1 C Sour Cream
1 t Baking Soda
5 2/3 C Flour
2 t Baking Powder

Chill dough. Roll out and cut with a large glass or favorite cut outs.

Bake at 350 for 10 min. Icing with favorite icing.

Maria's Bread

(Ervia Martini)

(One Large or Two Small Loaves)

4 cups flour
1 ¼ tsp salt
1 pkg dry yeast

Mom used to use fresh yeast. If you use fresh yeast, use either one small, compressed yeast or just one third of a large fresh yeast cake. You can use less yeast than the recipe calls for and the bread will be fine. It might just take longer to rise. But if you use more than enough, the bread will not taste as good.

1 ¼ cups warm water

If you are using dry yeast, use warmnever hotwater. If you are using fresh yeast, the water should be tepid, barely warm. It is very important not to scald the yeast.

Before beginning with the flour, measure the water into a cup or bowl and add the yeast. Let it sit for a moment; the yeast should begin to work. Then mix the yeast in the water with your hands until it is thoroughly dissolved.

Measure the flour into a large bowl. Add the salt, and mix the salt and flour with your hands until the salt is thoroughly distributed through the flour. Make a well in the center of the flour and add the yeast water.

Gradually, pull the flour from all sides into the well, working from the inside to the outside, until it is all combined. Begin to knead the dough, quickly turning, punching, and kneading until the dough is soft, smooth, and bubbly. It should not be too sticky or too dry.

You should adjust the texture early in the kneading process. If the dough is too sticky, add flour underneath and continue to knead. The sticky dough will absorb the flour as you knead. If it is too hard and dry, early in the kneading process, push the dough aside in the bowl; and make a small amount of wet, sticky dough, using flour and warm water, next to it. Then knead it into the hard, dry dough. Never add just water to the dough after you have begun to knead it.

Knead until the dough has reached the desired smooth, bubbly consistency. Then *bless it*, and put a tea towel and a heavier covering over it. (I use a lightweight tablecloth.) Put the bowl in a warm spot to rise. When it has doubled in size--this could take anywhere from 1 ½ hours to 3 hours punch it down for just a moment by pulling the sides toward the center. Then cover it again.

Oil the bread pans thoroughly but lightly. When the dough has doubled again, shape the dough quickly and lightly, and place it into the pans. *Bless the loaves*, cover them with a tea towel and a heavier covering, and allow them to rise until they're almost doubled in size (about one hour).

When the loaves are almost ready, heat the oven to 400°. Bake the loaves until they are golden, about 30 45 minutes. Allow them to cool on their sides.

MAMA MARIA'S SPAGHETTI SAUCE AND MEATBALLS

SAUCE

1 to 2 pound roast or rib meat, cut in chunks

1 medium-sized onion, diced
parsley and basil, chopped fine
salt and pepper
3 to 4 quarts tomato juice or 3 quarts of Hunts tomatoes, strained
1 small can Hunt's tomato paste

In sauce kettle, cook meat and onions in cooking oil until water is cooked out of meat and meat is nicely browned. Remove kettle from burner. Add tomato juice. (Or substitute with strained Hunt's Tomatoes.) Add seasonings. Return kettle to burner. Dissolve tomato paste with 1 can of hot water and add to meat. Add neatly rolled meatballs (see below) to sauce after sauce begins to boil. Cover; simmer for 2 to 3 hours.

MEATBALLS

approximately 2 lbs of good ground beef
1 1/2 C. grated Romano cheese
1 C dried bread crumbs
2 to 4 cloves of garlic, minced
7 fresh eggs
parsley and basil, chopped fine
salt and pepper

Mix thoroughly all of the above ingredients. Roll into balls and drop into simmering sauce.

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Easter Resurrection Bread

(Edith Yount)

1/2 c warm water (not hot)	1/2 c soft shortening
2 pkg. Active dry yeast	4 1/2 to 5 c sifted flour
1/2 c lukewarm milk, scalded then cooled	1/4 c chopped blanched almonds
1/2 c sugar	1 c raisins
1 tsp salt	1/2 tsp vanilla
2 eggs	

In mixing bowl dissolve yeast in warm water. Add milk, sugar, salt, eggs, shortening, half of the flour, raisins, nuts and vanilla. Mix with spoon until smooth. Add enough of remaining flour to handle easily; mix with hands. Turn onto lightly floured board; knead until smooth and elastic (about 5 min). Round up into greased bowl bringing greased side up. Cover with cloth. Let rise in warm place until double, about 1 ½ hr. Punch down, let rise again until almost double (about 30 min) Divide into three portions. Round up into three well-rounded bun-like shapes. Place in three well-greased 1-lb coffee cans. Cover. Let rise 30 to 40 min until impression remains when dough is touched gently with finger. Heat oven to 350-375 degrees. Bake 30-35 min until well-browned. Remove from cans.
To make icing, mix sugar, warm water, lemon juice & rind. Using large spoon, drop icing over top of bread letting it run down sides. Decorate with tiny candies/sprinkles.

Saguti

(Edith Yount)

Combine: ¾ c very warm (but not hot) water and 2 pkg dry @ 1/3 cake) yeast
Add: 1 tsp salt; 1 c heated wine (room temp); 1/3 c melted shortening
Gradually add: 5 ½ c flour
Knead ½ hr . This dough should be stiff & elastic. Let rise to double. Knead down & roll into 12" ropes & twist around wooden spoon 5 times & bring around twists. Press w/cheese grader. Let rise ½ hr & cook in deep oil on stove. Needs cooked slow enough to cook insides.

Chicken Soup

(Edith Yount)

Bring 4 qt water to boil in large pan. Add choice combination of chicken pieces (i.e., 3 large breasts; 3 legs). Add 2 chicken bullion cubes. After chicken begins to cook, remove floating residue from water. Add ½ c finely chopped onion; ½ c chopped celery; and 1/4 c chopped carrots. Salt to taste. Allow to simmer approx. 1 hr. Remove chicken & cut into bite-sized pieces & return to pot. Add approx. 1 ½ c tiny pasta. Cook approx. 15 min.

Creamy Chicken Manicotti

(Becky Creek)

8 manicotti shells	1 (4 oz) can sliced mushrooms, drained
1 (10 ¾ oz) can creamy chicken mushroom soup, undiluted	2 tbsp margarine, melted
½ c commercial sour cream	¼ c warm water

2 c chopped cooked chicken

½ tsp chicken-flavored bullion
granules

1/4 c chopped onion

1 c (4 oz) shredded cheddar cheese

Cook manicotti shells according to pkg directions, omitting the salt; drain and set aside. Combine soup and sour cream; mix well. Combine half of soup mixture and chicken; mix well. Reserve remaining soup mixture; set aside. Stuff manicotti shells with chicken mixture, place in a greased 12x8x2" baking dish. Saute onion and mushrooms in butter in a large skillet until tender; set aside. Combine water and bullion granules; stirring until dissolved; add to reserved soup mixture, mixing well. Stir soup mixture into mushroom mixture; mix well. Spoon over manicotti, bake, uncovered at 350 degrees for 15-30 min. Sprinkle with Cheddar cheese and bake an additional 5 min. Yield 4-6 servings.

Ricotta Cookies

(Gina Yount)

1/4 lb. butter

1/4 c ricotta

1 tsp vanilla

1 c sugar

1 egg

2 c flour

½ tsp baking soda

½ tsp salt

Soften butter. Blend w/ricotta until creamy. Add vanilla. Mix well. Add sugar gradually, beating in dry ingredients & blend well. Drop from a tsp on greased baking dish. Bake in 300-350 degree oven for 10 min (30-36 cookies)

Italian Dressing Dip

(Andrea Yount)

1 pkg cream cheese

1 6oz can v-8 juice

1 pkg dry Italian dressing

Blend with blender /mixer. Use for vegetables or chips

Chipped Beef & Cream Sauce

(Kathy Rademaker)

Blend at low heat:

2/3 stick margarine

10 level tbsp flour

Slowly add 4 ½ c milk while stirring with whisk
Cook over medium heat stirring frequently till thickened.
Add 4 pkg chipped beef cut in ½" squares.
Salt and pepper to taste
Let stand few minutes. Serve on biscuits

Spinach Chicken Noodle Soup (Becky Creek)

2 tsp olive oil
½ tsp minced garlic
3 cans (13 ¾ or 14 ½ oz each) chicken broth or 5 c Homemade Chicken Broth
2 boneless, skinless chicken breast halves
1 piece (1 ½ " sq) rind from Parmesan cheese, or 1-inch cube
1/8 tsp freshly grouped pepper
pinch nutmeg
½ c tiny star pasta or ¾ c broken thin spaghetti
2 c packed julienne spinach leaves
6 tbsps freshly grated Parmesan cheese

Heat oil in large sauce pot over medium-low heat. Add garlic and cook until fragrant (do not brown). Stir in broth, chicken Parmesan rind or cheese, pepper and nutmeg. Bring just to boil; reduce heat and simmer 10 min. Remove chicken and set aside. Remove and discard cheese rind if using).

Increase heat to high. Add pasta and boil, stirring occasionally, until tender, 5 to 10 min.

Meanwhile, chop chicken into ½", dice.

Return chicken to soup; add spinach. Spoon into bowls and sprinkle with grated Parmesan.

Makes 6 cups.

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A note from Sharon Martini:

I just want to take a moment to thank all of you for your cooperation and support during the compilation of this family history. It has been a great pleasure working with such a wonderful family. It gives me great joy to be able to provide this keepsake for you and your families. I hope these memories live eternally in your hearts and are shared with generations to come because the past is an important key to the future. I will continue my genealogical research for your family's ancestors and keep you updated. You can visit my website anytime at: <http://members.home.net/samartini>. Please keep in touch. God bless all.

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