



## Nellie Catherine Perone

December 20, 1929 - January 12, 2021

Nellie Catherine Perone (Née Lakowitz) died peacefully at Talbot Hospice in on January 12, 2021.

She was born on December 20, 1929, at home in Belle Mead, NJ, to Peter and Catherine Lakowitz, Polish immigrants. She was the youngest of eight children, speaking Polish at home but learning English at school. Her early years were spent working on their struggling family farm. The family did not own a motorized vehicle and did not have electricity until she reached high school. She graduated from Somerville High School in 1948 and was engaged to Dominic Perone, who was also born to immigrant parents who did not speak English at home. In that era, it was frowned upon to marry outside one's ethnic group, but after years of postponement due to economic hardships of wartime, the draft of her brothers and fiancé, and caring for dying parents, she married her Italian fiancé, Dominic Perone, in 1955.

She was close to her sisters-in-law and learned to cook Italian. Nellie was a dedicated homemaker and supported her husband's plumbing business. The couple lived in Hillsborough and were members of St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church in East Millstone, NJ, and the Somerset County Senior Citizens Association until moving to Whiting, NJ, in 2006. Following her husband's death in 2015, Nellie moved to Easton, MD, to live with her daughter and family. She was known for being kind and generous, a good

cook and the family historian on farm life during the Depression and WWII until illness took away her memory in later years.

Nellie Perone is survived by her children, Patty (John) Plaskon of Easton, Vincent (Donna) Perone of Portsmouth, VA, and Michael (Catherine) Perone of Bernardsville NJ; eight grandchildren, Michael (Liz) Perone of East Grand Rapids, MI, Natalie Perone (Joseph Zitarelli) of Philadelphia PA, Thomas Perone, Milo Perone, and Eddie Perone of Bernardsville, NJ, Sonya Plaskon of Baltimore, MD, Sam (Lia) Plaskon of Easton, and James (Jordan) Plaskon; a great-grandchild, Kent Plaskon of Easton, MD; nieces and nephews; and a sister-in-law, Eva Lakowitz of Whiting, NJ .

She was predeceased by Dominic Perone, her husband of 60 years; siblings, Joseph Lakowitz, Andrew Lakowitz, Charles Lakowitz, Helen Mazey, Sophie “Ginger” Moeller, Frances “Midge” Lakowitz and Marion Lakowitz; and two infant grandchildren, Laura Elizabeth Perone and John Daniel Plaskon.

A visitation will be held at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newman Funeral Home on January 16, 9-10 a.m., followed by a funeral Mass at Sts. Peter & Paul Church in Easton, MD at 10:30 a.m.. There will also be a visitation at The Cusick Funeral Home in Somerville, NJ, on January 23 at 10:30 a.m., followed by a graveside service at the Cedar Hill Cemetery in East Millstone, NJ. All services will follow masking and social distancing guidelines.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Nellie Perone’s honor may be made to The Parkinson’s Foundation, The Alzheimer’s Association or Talbot Hospice.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 16. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home  
200 S. Harrison Street  
EASTON  
EASTON, MD 21601

## Mass

JAN 16. 10:30 AM (ET)

Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church Easton  
7906 Ocean Gateway  
Easton, MD 21601

# Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Nellie Catherine Perone*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - January 15, 2021 at 01:03 PM

EM

*Patty ..loved the video especially your mom pushing the lawn mowers and holding the gun. She was something else! Ellen*

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**Ellen Marks** - January 15, 2021 at 07:49 PM



*What a beautiful lady Nellie was ~ and the pictures are lovely ~ sending sincere condolences & lots of love to the entire family, especially my cousins John & Dr. Patty (Perone) Plaskon. Wishing you all peace. xo Debbie*

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**Debbie Boyle** - January 16, 2021 at 05:41 PM

JP

*Incredible video. It's not easy looking as glamorous as Liz Taylor and Janet Leigh, screening customers for the best plumber in Somerset County, raising three successful kids and whipping up a tasty dish of stuffed cabbage without breaking a sweat. But your Mom pulled it off with grace, class and dignity that was an example of a life well lived for all of us. - Joe Perone*

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**Joe Perone** - November 10, 2022 at 09:37 AM



“ *Nellie Catherine Perone*

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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Nellie Catherine Perone*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Nellie Catherine Perone*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Lucille Perone purchased the Condolence Snacks for the family of Nellie Catherine Perone.*



**Lucille Perone** - March 13, 2021 at 01:51 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Nellie Catherine Perone.*



January 14, 2021 at 08:11 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Nellie Catherine Perone.*



January 14, 2021 at 11:06 AM

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“ *Patty, John & Family*

*My deepest sympathy to you and yours. I was so happy to have known Nellie and will remember her well. She was quite the lady Always enjoyed our times at Toby's with Nellie and your Dad as well as at family functions. Lovely couple, lovely family. Thanks for allowing me to share. Love y'all much. Tricia*

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**Patricia Pearson** - January 13, 2021 at 09:07 PM

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“ *Patty and family, You have a deepest sympathy and warmest thoughts at this difficult time. The Spurry Family*

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**Beverly Spurry** - January 13, 2021 at 02:23 PM