



## Philece Kopercinski

August 2, 1956 - September 10, 2025

Philece Kopercinski, 69, of Saugerties passed away, after a courageous battle with leukemia, at home surrounded by family on September 10th, 2025. Born August 2nd, 1956, she was the daughter of the late Rocco and Mary (Ancona) Salierno.

Philece was born and raised in Queens. She worked as a Meat Wrapper at Dan's Supreme, a profession she was very proud of. When she moved to Saugerties 25 years ago, she worked for Lachmann's Pastry Shop and then the nonprofit United Cerebral Palsy. She also became an unofficial member of the Saxton Fire Company.

More than anything, Philece loved family. She was considered a second grandparent to all her many great-nieces and great-nephews.

Philece is survived by her son, Michael Rocco Stanly Kopercinski and her siblings: Danny Salierno and his wife Jeanine, Maria-Ann Couret and her husband Alex, Linda-Ann Stoner and her husband George, Antoinette Salierno, and Rocco Salierno Jr. and his wife Ivy. Many nieces and nephews, great nieces and nephews, and Kilo her canine couch companion also survive.

In addition to her parents, Philece was predeceased by her husband Michael

Dennis Kopercinski.

Funeral services will be held 8:00 PM Saturday, September 13, 2025 at Buono Funeral Service, Inc., Saugerties. Cremation will follow. Friends may call Saturday 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM at Buono Funeral Service, Inc

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 13. 7:00 AM - 9:00 AM (ET)

Buono Funeral Service, Inc.  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *So very sorry to hear this today. Rest easy dear cousin. The sweet memories of living in Queens will forever be in our memories.* ”



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**joann caleca wood** - September 16, 2025 at 06:27 PM

“ Philece

*It's me, Lizzie . the line said share a memory. How do I share one memory of a lifetime a childhood of my big sister? You taught me so much I don't think you know that. I was very observant of you. I was in all of your beauty inside and out your laugh, your humor, how comfortable you are in your skin as long as you are making people happy. Not only did you treat me like a little sister, but you did the same for my daughter, you treated her like you were her aunt and you were.*

*She doesn't specifically remember certain things, but she does remember you she remembers going down the basement to see the dog with my mom while I was working. She remembers getting ice cream after dinner and sitting on the stoop and she remembers you doing her nails. I didn't even know that*

*I remember you teaching me how to do my make up sitting on the stoop talking about what was going on in our lives and it was a daily thing if one of us was out there, we waited for the other or we called you coming out. I love you so much. I'm so sorry that you suffered. I'm sorry we lost touch that was on me not you. I wish things were different when we were closer at the end, but I will never ever ever forget the beginning. I'm so happy you and Mike got married and he had your son that's all you wanted was a baby. You wanted to be a mom you didn't want a career you didn't want to have any big start them or be famous. You just wanted to be a mom and you are a great mom.*

*I just thought of a memory mommy and daddy went out and you were babysitting for us and you had indigestion or Ajida as we call it and you wanted club soda and we didn't have any so one of the girls went down and got club soda from mom and you felt better but you were letting them lay on you on the floor on your back And you were saying stand on my back walk on my back Pat me on my back so I can burp you were so funny and we were all laughing. We felt so safe with you. You are our big sister. I hadn't seen you in so long so it's weird to say I'm going to miss you But knowing you're not there to be able to see or visit is different it hurts and it reminds me that I am a child of God and I didn't behave like a child of God I was*

*headed up to Poughkeepsie babysit the kids and I was going to stop at the hospital on the way back, but I fell and broke my hip and I didn't go to the hospital there. I came back to Long Island but I wasn't able to come and see you that's gonna bother me, but that's a less than I will learn and I will get in touch again with the rest of the family and if they'll have me I hope and pray that things will change and we will be close again in your honor my big sister I love you, Lizzie.*

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**Elizabeth Tumminelli** - September 16, 2025 at 12:41 AM

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“ *Philece , you are safely Home in the arms of the Holy One.  
Rest in Peace, our dear cousin.*

*Love,  
Jo-Ann & Phyllis*



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**phyllis Leccese** - September 12, 2025 at 01:19 PM