



Concetta Maria Rossi

December 24, 1938 - August 5, 2026

Rochester, New York

Concetta Maria Rossi died in Rochester on August 5, 2026. She was 87. Born in Rochester on December 24, 1938, into a Italian-American household that treated work as a language. She learned early that a day is something you finish, not something you wait for.

She coaxed images from chemistry and red light. A loupe in a velvet pouch judged sharpness; she treated every negative as someone's memory. Colleagues still mention a loupe she kept in a velvet pouch.

She married Frank in 1960. They kept a house that stayed modest when the neighborhood did not. They raised a daughter through public schools and ordinary weather. After Frank died in 2019, she kept the routines that still made sense: the walk, the garden, the Sunday call.

Neighbors remember quiet help with a stuck mailbox or a heavy trash can. She liked early mornings before the heat or the noise. She died in Rochester, among streets she never needed to explain. The radio is still tuned to the station that played while work got done.

Services

A memorial gathering in Rochester with coffee afterward. In lieu of flowers, a gift to a local workers' fund, clinic, or neighborhood library is welcome.

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