

Obituary - Fannie Tocco



Fannie Tocco passed away peacefully at the age of 99.

Her birthday was recently celebrated with everyone present, including her new, one and only, great-great-grandchild. It was a loving end to a life well lived and a joy that everyone got to see her.

Born in Italy on Aug. 15, 1915 to Joseph and Josephine Sclafani Alongi, she was brought to America at the age of six. Her family settled in St Louis, Missouri. She met and married Nunzio Tocco in 1936. They moved with their family to Fontana in 1945. They started a grape vineyard on 10 acres on Calabash Avenue near what is now the Interstate 10 Freeway. Her husband later worked for Kaiser Steel and they settled into their home on Manzanita Drive. Nunzio passed away in November of 1959. She was 44 and a mother of an 18-year-old son and 15-year-old daughter. In addition to being a mother and homemaker, she worked as a

baker for the Fontana Unified School District in the food service department. She enjoyed the work and stayed with the FUSD for 20 years. She was a sports fan of NASCAR and college and professional football. Fannie was a strong woman who maintained a positive attitude regardless of what challenges life presented.

Fannie is survived by her children, son Phillip Tocco (Judy) of Rialto and daughter Nina Nass (Fred) of Lake Havasu and Fontana. In addition, she has eight grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild. She also has multiple cousins in the Sclafani and Finazzo families as well.

There was a viewing and visitation at Dickey Mortuary on Wednesday, Aug. 27 from 5-8 p.m. The Scripture service was held at 6 p.m. The family then laid her to rest at the Bellevue Mausoleum with her husband, Nunzio. Dickey Mortuary was in charge of arrangements.