



## Christine Barone-Ross

March 8, 1949 - October 12, 2025

Christine Barone-Ross passed away in Sarasota, Florida on October 12th 2025. She was born in Brooklyn, New York on March 8th 1949, born again September 22-23 1973.

Christine was a faithful Christian who attended Sarasota Baptist Church. She had a successful career as the executive secretary for the American Bible Society in New York city. In 2005, when Billy Graham came to New York she was the liaison for the Billy Graham Crusade on June 24-26 2005. She was a true native New Yorker, she never had a drivers license, and relied on buses and subways. She also met her husband in New York, and got married at First Baptist Church of New York City, Broadway and 79th Street, on March 25, 2000. She also loved to collect heart jewelry, and her favorite color was green. She loved going to concerts at Lincoln Center, and loved going to the theatre. She loved enjoying good Italian food with her friends and family. She enjoyed fashion and liked to shop at Saks, Century 21, and Daffy's. She and her husband were passionate about advocating for children, and often attended pro-life events together.

Christine is preceded in death by her parents Raphael and Edith Marano.

Left to cherish her memory is her devoted husband Jay Ross; her sweet cat Grace; sister Philomena Manizione and her husband Eugene; as well as her

dear friends.

" I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me" Galatians 2:20

Memorial contributions may be made in her honor to 40 Days for Life at: <http://www.40daysforlife.com/en/donate.aspx>.

Memories and condolences may be left for her family at [www.MFHcares.com](http://www.MFHcares.com).

# Tribute Wall

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Philomena (sister) - April 02 at 12:27 PM

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*Storytown with our mom-*

Philomena (sister) - April 02 at 12:28 PM

PH

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philo - December 12, 2025 at 04:55 PM

PH

*Christine, Philomena & cousin Nora.  
Christine, you are always in our hearts & minds.*

ph - December 12, 2025 at 04:58 PM

LW

“ Christine was beautiful and lit up a room. She was so kind to me when I was down and out- offering to take me and my infant daughter into her home. I am great friends with her sister, Philomena, who is as gracious and kind as her beloved sister. May she rest in peace and may her memory be a blessing.

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**Lucy Watson** - November 17, 2025 at 09:32 AM

GH

“ Marylou and I had the joy of working together with Christine at the American Bible Society for many years. She was a faithful and effective servant of our Lord!

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**Gene Habecker** - November 02, 2025 at 07:44 PM

LB

“ We’re at the house in Bensonhurst. It’s 1975. Sitting at the table probably eating chi chi beans. Hard as a rock. Chris is looking sooo beautiful as usual with me and Phyllis. Just hanging and laughing and enjoying each other. We were so happy and content. So much to look forward to. Chris was always so supportive and kind. At all the times when it was needed. I will miss it all. I am missing Chtistina. Now she’s with Edith and Ralph and that’s a great thing. I miss them too



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**Leni Brechner** - October 31, 2025 at 11:08 PM

SE

*Can't believe it's been a month since Christine left us. She will always be remembered as a faithful friend and a prayer warrior. We can't imagine the amazing place where she is...praising her Savior all day long! Christine will be missed but we know that we will see her again!*  
*Susan & Eric*

Susan & Eric - November 12, 2025 at 10:26 PM

DI

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Diane - October 30, 2025 at 09:05 AM

DI

*Christine loved hearts  
Above all the heart of Jesus for her  
And in return she loved Him and all around her.  
Christine was a wonderful sweet fun caring friend. I have so many fond memories of Christine in nyc and here.  
All during her terrible illness here I never heard one complaint.  
A new page has turned and a new chapter in her new home and in the presence of our Savior and King, JESUS.  
I am sure she heard well done good and faithful servant  
She will be much missed but a great reunion will take place when all who believe are together forever*

Diane - October 30, 2025 at 09:16 AM

ZM

*Thank you Diane - my heart is so in tune and comforted with your words*

Zina M. - October 30, 2025 at 06:41 PM

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“ *Me & my big sister Chris*  
*I can't imagine my childhood without her. Just 3 years apart & she was always by my side. We climbed many difficult hills together & crossed many bridges. I have so many good memories but I'll share one that lights up my mind and also reflects Christine's character; to share knowledge.*  
*Each day when she came home from school*  
*She'd pull out her books, set up a board and share what she learned at class that day.*  
*What a wondrous gift Christine gave me....*  
*A fascination for knowledge.*  
*Thank you my big Sister Chris. Go with God... I will miss you 🙏🙏🙏*



Philomena (sister) - October 25, 2025 at 12:59 PM

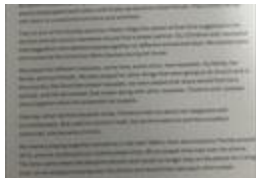
ZM

*The memory and picture are so precious and heart-warming -thank you for sharing them.*

Zina M. - October 30, 2025 at 06:54 PM

LS

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Lorna Smith - October 24, 2025 at 01:04 PM

EU

“ Sweet Christine will be missed. Her compliments on every new shirt or shoes I bought will be missed. Her sly look and giggle at my jokes will be missed. Her cherry cheesecake on the holidays will be missed. Yes, she will be missed by many, but remembered always by all. I know I won't forget her. Peace to my little sister, forever..Your brother in law , Eeeeg.

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**Eugene** - October 22, 2025 at 06:05 PM

RI

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**Ricardo** - October 22, 2025 at 02:34 PM

BE

*My dear friend Christine was a blessing in my life. Since God put our paths together we shared great moments and had wonderful conversations. It was great to have her and Jay live so close to us in Aventura, Florida. Once they moved to Sarasota I felt her absence deeply. But we became faithful phone buddies talking every week. I will always treasure her wisdom, empathy and my prayer warrior. I loved her laugh!*

*Jay, we always enjoyed your friendship, your smile, your wisdom and will always have you in our hearts.*

*Our home is open for you in Aventura.*

*May God keep Christine in His arms and may He bless Jay with His peace.*

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**Berenice** - November 01, 2025 at 05:16 PM

JH

“ My deepest sympathies to Christine’s sister Philomena, and Jay her husband.



Janice (Blangiardo) Higgins - October 20, 2025 at 10:50 PM

JA

“ Christine was one of my first friends. We were inseparable through our elementary school days. We stayed good friends all the way into early adulthood. We did so much together from homework, hanging out our first “Prom dates” in 6th grade, which was our first dance and a trip to a local ice cream parlor. Life took us in different directions later on, however the internet brought us back together! I pray my friend is resting in the Lord’s arms now out of discomfort and enjoying good health in Heaven. Rest in Peace sweet Chris. ❤️



JaniceHiggins - October 20, 2025 at 10:18 PM

NF

“Christine was a gentle soul with a warrior’s heart for the unborn. She was always upbeat and enjoyed being with friends whether at church, casual lunches, or praying on the sidewalk outside abortion facilities. She was a friend...she will be missed. ❤️



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**Nancy Farner** - October 20, 2025 at 04:34 PM

PB

“Patricia Blangiardo. Christine and her sister Philomena lived across the street from me in Brooklyn. We became very good friends as we grew up going to concerts shopping going to the beach. I have such fond memories of those days with a group of us always getting dressed up for Easter. I remember one time when later in in life as adults I attended the Church Christine was a member of in Manhattan. I was so impressed there were hundreds of people there and the air around felt so blessed! Christine earned her angel wings! She is now with her God in peace.

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**Patricia Blangiardo** - October 20, 2025 at 03:30 PM

JM

“ I met Christine in 1982 when we worked in adjacent offices in the Radio City Music Hall building in NYC. We struck up a friendship that endured for over 40 years. We shared our workplace experiences over a breakfast pastry or lunch. She encouraged me and inspired me with her deep faith especially during my lowest moments, inviting me to attend lunchtime bible studies at Calvary Baptist Church.

We enjoyed similar interests such as fashion and food. NY offered many opportunities to shop for great finds including a favorite, Daffy's, partake in delicious dining and attend theatre shows. We would often meet for dinner at Cucina in Grand Central Station. We celebrated joyful events and she lifted me up in prayer during life's challenging times.

Even after Christine and Jay moved to Florida we stayed in contact and got together whenever possible.

Despite health adversities, her faith never wavered.

I will certainly miss my faithful friend, but knowing her suffering is over and she is reunited with her parents in heaven, rejoicing and praising the Lord, gives me comfort.

Christine's favorite symbol was the heart and she will remain in my heart a cherished friend forever.

Sending my love and prayers to Jay and Philomena.

Jennifer Moon

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**Jennifer Moon** - October 20, 2025 at 02:50 PM

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**Philomena (sister)** - October 20, 2025 at 02:38 PM

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*Easter Sunday best: teenagers in Bensonhurst , Brooklyn. L to R: Lorraine, Patti, Gale, Grace, Me(Philomena) Christine & Sandy.*

**Philomena (sister)** - October 20, 2025 at 02:42 PM

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**Philomena (sister)** - October 20, 2025 at 02:35 PM

GI

*I've known the Rosses for many years and was a part of their family at First Baptist Church! We will all hold each other in Christian love during this difficult time!*

**George Jay Wienberg III** - October 20, 2025 at 04:07 PM



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**Maloney Funeral Home** - October 20, 2025 at 11:40 AM

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Naomi Rizzuti - October 20, 2025 at 11:20 AM

LB

“ My precious friend of 40 years, Christine, was a faithful woman of God, a prayer warrior, a witness to us all of her unwavering faith and trust in Jesus. Throughout our friendship, Christine always pointed me to scripture ... to prepare me, to protect me, and to provide for me. Her greeting cards always included a section “JUST FOR YOU” that included words from THE WORD, along with cherished words about friendship. We had so much fun together – typically meeting at the 72nd St. Token Hut to subway it somewhere in the boroughs. We ate at the Afghan Kebob House before church on Wednesday PM and we went to Vinnies Pizza for 1-1/2 slices each of Sicilian pizza as often as possible. We experienced Italy, Martha’s Vineyard, Newport, and Ocean Grove together. I am grateful for her treasured friendship and will miss her smile, her encouragement, and her love. Yet, the best part, right now, is that she no longer suffers with her lung issues and that she has received her Crown of Righteousness as she has entered home with God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.  
Lovingly and with much heartfelt sympathy to Jay and Philomena.  
May you be comforted with the peace that only our Lord can give.  
Lois (Carlson) Brower

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Lois (Carlson) Brower - October 20, 2025 at 03:12 AM

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“ We spent a lot of time on our roof growing up in Brooklyn-watching fireworks, taking photos, getting away from the noise. Special memories.



Philomena Manzione (Christine's sister) - October 17, 2025 at 05:09 PM

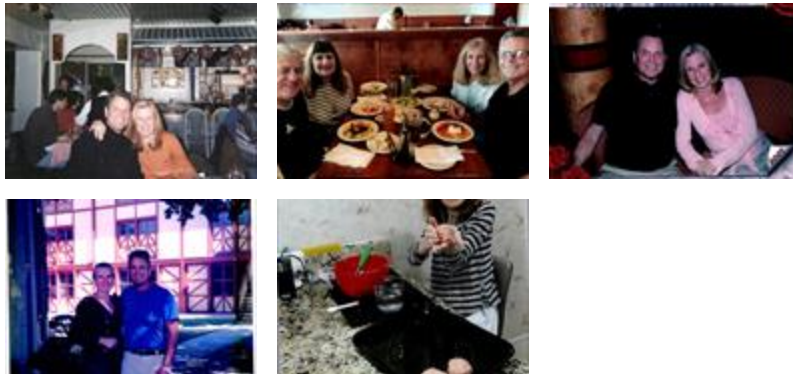
BK

“ Christine was a special friend and her deep faith during difficult health issues was inspiring and exemplary to everyone. We will treasure precious memories of times we spent together and her sweet words and smile.

Bob& Gisela Kowaleski - October 17, 2025 at 04:09 PM



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Maloney Funeral Home - October 17, 2025 at 12:10 PM

PS

My beautiful, vibrant sister Christine, we 'll miss you ❤️

Philomena Manzione (Christine's sister) - October 17, 2025 at 05:04 PM

LB

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*Lois (Carlson) Brower*

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**Lois Browerr** - October 19, 2025 at 02:50 PM

NR

*Christine was such an encouraging friend to me. We hung out a lot in the 70s. She introduced me to Italian food as we enjoyed the great Italian restaurants in Manhattan often. But her lasting legacy with me was her love for the Lord and his Word. We both loved the preaching at Calvary Baptist Church which had a lasting effect on both of us as it faithfully proclaimed God's Word each week! Christine is safe in heaven now and her body is being kept in Christ awaiting the Resurrection! Christine will be missed by SO many, including me!*  
*Naomi (& Ken) Rizzuti*

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**Naomi Rizzuti** - October 20, 2025 at 11:08 AM

LE

*Christine and I met in the mid 1970's when I was invited to teach a S.S. class she attended. We had come to NYC a few months before to direct the Hephzibah House Ministry. When Christine and some of her friends found we were hosting a Tuesday night Bible Class, including supper, they came and all became part of our events and programs for years and years. Christine and I became good friends and prayer partners...my husband (now in Heaven) and I also knew her husband Jay before they married and were delighted when they married. I loved Christine's zest for life, her earnest walk with God, her heart for people, her desire to be encouraging to others and helpful. A very special lady and dear friend. Lois Ewald, now in Indianapolis, IN.*

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**Lois Ewald** - October 24, 2025 at 05:53 PM