



## Alvera DeSantis

April 27, 1923 - November 24, 2008

Alvera M. DeSantis, (nee Martell) age 85 of Carneys Point died Monday, November 24, 2008 at Christiana Hospital. Born in Penns Grove, daughter of the late Salvatore and Giacinta Cantoli Martell she was a lifelong Penns Grove – Carneys Point area resident. Mrs. DeSantis had attended Goldey Beacom Business School and had been employed as a Clerk for Chrysler in Newark for 28 years prior to her retirement in 1980. She had been a member of the Washington Club, the Mother of Grace Society, and the Senior Saints. She had also been part of a sewing club with her lifelong friends. Mrs. Martell is survived by her sons, Michael and his wife Dawn of Landenberg, PA, Joseph and his wife Susan of Wilmington, brother, James Martell of Maryland, sister, Angie Martell of Carneys Point, and her grandchildren, Michael Kevin, Andrew Joseph, Megan Leigh and David Thomas and two great grandchildren, Sophie and Logan. She was predeceased by her husband, Joseph in August of 2008, brothers, Armondo, Samuel, Harry, Alfred “Duke”, Tony, and her sisters, Mary Franceschini and Jeanette Martell. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 11 AM Saturday in Corpus Christi RC Church, 369 Georgetown Rd., Carneys Point where a viewing will be held from 9:30 to 11 AM in the chapel. Interment will follow in Lawnside Cemetery, Pilesgrove. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Christiana Care Center for Heart and Vascular Health, PO Box 1668, Wilmington, DE 19899. Arrangements are under the direction of the Ashcraft Funeral Homes, Penns Grove and Pennsville. [www.ashcraftfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ashcraftfuneralhomes.com)



# Tribute Wall

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“ *To the family of Mrs. DeSantis: I am writing to send you my condolences on the death of your loved one. I will never forget her ability to smile regardless of what obstacles lay in front of her. It was a privilege to take part in her care. Your strength, dedication, and loving care gave her comfort in her final moments, and inspired me. You will all be in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Wesley Emmons, MD** - November 28, 2008 at 06:48 PM