

Ellen R. Testa

Born on August 29, 1949 in Bronx, NY to parents Eva and Samuel Flumen, Mrs. Testa moved to Buena Vista Township in 1951. Her parents operated a chicken farm on Tuckahoe Road from 1951 to approximately 1961.

Mrs. Testa attended Minotola School from Kindergarten in 1954 through fifth grade in 1960. She further attended Milanasi School for sixth grade, 1960-1961 and then Dr. J.P. Cleary Jr. High School from 1961-1964. Mrs. Testa is a graduate from Vineland Sr. High School in 1967, and immediately attended F.I.T in New York City before moving back to the area, Vineland in 1971.

Within a few years, following her father's death in 1970, she sold the chicken farm, which now has been developed as Cranberry Run.

Ellen married Michael L. Testa in 1974 and has two sons, Shawn L. Tuck and Michael L. Testa, Jr. They are proud grandparents of four: Eva M. Testa, Logan S. Tuck, Sarah C. Testa and Micheal L. Testa, III (Tripp). Logan, Sarah and Tripp are students at St. Mary's and Eva is a student in the AMSA program in Vineland.

In her career, she was in the travel industry for approximately fifteen years, and was partner in A Travel World Travel Agency in Vineland. Her husband, Michael, and son Michael, Jr. are partners in a law practice of Testa, Heck, Testa and White P.A. in Vineland. Michael, Jr. also serves as a New Jersey State Senator and their son Shawn is an employee of the State of New Jersey.

Michael and Ellen moved back to Buena Vista Township in 1999. As children, their parents were members of the Buena Vista Country Club where they always hoped to live someday. When a home became available they jumped on the opportunity. Michael's father, Frank J. Testa, was the Solicitor for Buena Vista Township when the Country Club was formed and obtained much of the property for its formation.

Their families have been part of Buena Vista Township for many years. Ellen's father's two brothers, Paul and Irving Flumenbaum, their wives and children had chicken farms on Wheat Road. The Tractor Supply Store is currently located on what once was their farm.

The Flumenbaums were all Holocaust Survivors where they lost most of their families and endured a tremendous amount of pain. They came to the United States to start anew and settled in Buena Vista Township. They worked very hard to achieve the American dream in an area that welcomed them warmly and with open arms. They couldn't have asked for better neighbors!