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Margaret “Margie” Galletta, 88, St. Augustine, passed away October 3, 2017 at her home. Her husband, John Galletta Sr., 86, St. Augustine, passed away the following day, October 4, 2017, also at their home. They would have celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary on the 31st of October. They met at a Knights of Columbus dance in Brooklyn, New York in early 1953 and were married six months later. Margaret Mary Marciano was born on January 19, 1929 in Haverstraw, NY and had been a resident of St. Augustine since 1994, having moved here from Key West with John Sr. Before moving to Key West, she and her husband lived in Stowe, Vermont where they started a retail fashion business. Due to her insight, common sense and personality, the business became popular and successful. They moved to Key West in 1981 where they started another successful business catering to the hotel and restaurant industry. Margaret was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star when living in Vermont. John Sr. was born on November 8, 1930 in Brooklyn, NY. After attempting to join the military as a teenager, he successfully passed the exam to become an engineer in the US Merchant Marine. In the tumultuous year of 1968, John ran for President of the MEBA (Marine Engineer’s Beneficial Association) as a reformer. An avid sailor and swimmer he loved the ocean and would often take midnight dips. They loved spending time with their friends and family and will be greatly missed by those

whose lives they touched. They were donors to local, area and national charities. They are survived by three children; Joanne, John Jr., (Lu) and Ralph Galletta; one grandson, John Louis Galletta, all of St. Augustine. In addition they are survived by Margaret's brother, Edward Marciano, of Brooklyn, New York and John Sr's. brother's, Joseph Galletta, of Staten Island, NY and Salvatore Iannuzzi of Boynton Beach, Florida. A private celebration of their life will be held on October 29th and their ashes scattered together on October 31st. St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.