

Descendants of Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda) Riccardi -- 3-18

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Generation 1

1. **FIORITTA (FLORENCE; MARIA; MARY; FREDA)¹ RICCARDI** was born in 1874 in Palermo, Palermo, Sicilia, Italy. She died in 1936. She married Giovanni Cupo on 24 Jan 1892 in Jersey City, Hudson County, NJ. He was born in Jun 1862 in Palermo, Palermo, Sicilia, Italy. He died about 1915 in New York, USA. She met (2) **JOSEPH ST. JOHN** (son of Unknown St. John and Unknown).

More About Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda) Riccardi:

Burial: Viewland Cemetery, Cobblestone Church, Rotterdam, Schenectady County, NY

Notes for Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda) Riccardi:

FAGM #144545464 -- In the 1918 Schenectady phone directory, Florence is listed as a widow to John Cupo, living at 410 Paige, with sons Joseph (barber) and William. Florence later married Joseph St. John. She immigrated to the US in 1893. By the 1930 US Census, Florence St. John was listed again as a widow. William Cupo, Julia and her husband, and Anna and her husband and son were listed as living with her in Schenectady, NY. Riccardi is believed to be her maiden name because Everard Cupo remembers driving with his parents to visit his father's uncle (brother to Florence) who was a Riccardi living in Secaucus, NJ, and walking out to the beach to see the Statue of Liberty.

Notes for Giovanni Cupo:

Giovanni (John) was also known by grandson Everard Cupo as Giovanni Giuseppe (John Joseph) Cupo. John died of alcoholism at a young age, possibly around 1915 while Everard's father was in his early teens. It is not known where he died or was buried. Through the US Census, John was listed as a blackboot (shoe shiner) in 1900, an electrician in 1908, By 1918, Florence was listed as a widow in the Schenectady phone book, and by 1929 Florence was listed as widow to Joseph St. John. Based on research by Great-Great Grandson Jeffrey Cupo, the Holy Rosary Church records identify the marriage date as January 24, 1892. This is opposed to the date of January 7, 1892, contained in other non-verified records. It could be that there was a marriage ceremony earlier in Jersey City, NJ followed later by a church wedding. Regardless, the marriage date is changed to January 24, 1892, based on documented direct family research.

Giovanni Cupo and Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda) Riccardi had the following children:

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 - i. **JOSEPH NICHOLAS² CUPO** (son of Giovanni Cupo and Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda) Riccardi) was born on 05 Mar 1897 in Schenectady, New York. He died on 11 Sep 1959. He married Maria (Mary Mae) Agnes Boscia (daughter of Nicolamaria Boscia and Carmela diMinno) on 20 Sep 1921 in Manhattan, New York, New York, USA. She was born on 01 Nov 1897 in Greci, Avellino, Campania, Italy. She died on 09 Nov 1967 in Schenectady, New York.
 - ii. **WILLIAM A. CUPO** (son of Giovanni Cupo and Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda) Riccardi) was born on 21 Aug 1899 in Schenectady, NY.
 - iii. **JULIA P. CUPO** (daughter of Giovanni Cupo and Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda) Riccardi) was born in 1902. She met **FRANK LAMALFA**. He was born in 1905.
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 - iv. **ANNA MARIE CUPO** (daughter of Giovanni Cupo and Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda) Riccardi) was born on 06 Jun 1903 in Schenectady, New York. She died in Sep 1978. She married **ARTHUR H. EIFERT**.
 - v. **IRA CUPO** (son of Giovanni Cupo and Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda) Riccardi) was born in 1904.

Joseph St. John and Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda) Riccardi had the following child:

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 - i. **STEPHEN² ST. JOHN** (son of Joseph St. John and Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda) Riccardi).

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2. **JOSEPH NICHOLAS² CUPO** (Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda)¹ Riccardi) was born on 05 Mar 1897 in Schenectady, New York. He died on 11 Sep 1959. He married Maria (Mary Mae) Agnes Boscia (daughter of Nicolamaria Boscia and Carmela diMinno) on 20 Sep 1921 in Manhattan, New York, New York, USA. She was born on 01 Nov 1897 in Greci, Avellino, Campania, Italy. She died on 09 Nov 1967 in Schenectady, New York.

More About Joseph Nicholas Cupo:

Burial: Saints Cyril and Method Cemetery, Rotterdam, Schenectady County, NY

Notes for Joseph Nicholas Cupo:

In the 1918 Schenectady phone directory, Florence is listed as a widow to John Cupo, living at 410 Paige, with step-sons Joseph (barber) and William.

More About Maria (Mary Mae) Agnes Boscia:

Burial: Saints Cyril and Method Cemetery, Rotterdam, Schenectady County, NY

Notes for Maria (Mary Mae) Agnes Boscia:

FAGM #144427531 -- According to the September 24, 1904 ship manifest, four Boscia children arrived on the Calabria sailing from Naples, Italy, leaving there on September 6, 1904, and arriving at the Port of NY. The children all were listed as being born in Greci, Italy, and they listed their destination as their father Nicola's home at 547 E 59th Street, NYC (Note: Three children said 547 E while one said 547 W). Only Giovanni was listed as being in the US prior to this trip. Both Giovanni and Elvira listed their occupation as child laborer, and only Giovanni listed that he could both read and write. Mary's nickname was "Mae" to family and friends. Everard (Ev), her son, and Steven (her grandson) both referred to her as "mom." She remarried after her first husband died. Her second husband was Antonio (Tony) Filaseta, who was from Ohio. Mary met Tony through her brother John, who introduced them to each other in Florida. Mary was a "snowbird" that wintered in Florida. She continued to winter in Florida with Tony after they married. In the summer months, they lived in Mary's home in Schenectady, NY.

Joseph Nicholas Cupo and Maria (Mary Mae) Agnes Boscia had the following children:

5. i. **JOHN JOSEPH³ CUPO** (son of Joseph Nicholas Cupo and Maria (Mary Mae) Agnes Boscia) was born on 29 Feb 1924 in Schenectady, Schenectady County, NY. He died on 02 Sep 1973 in Schenectady, Schenectady, NY. He married **ELIZABETH MADGE "BETTY" GUYER**. She was born on 26 Nov 1923 in Watervliet, Albany County, NY. She died on 29 Sep 1995 in Schenectady, Schenectady County, NY.
 6. ii. **EVERARD NICHOLAS CUPO** (son of Joseph Nicholas Cupo and Maria (Mary Mae) Agnes Boscia) was born on 22 Nov 1926 in Schenectady County, NY. He married Ruth Marion Smith (daughter of Roy Kenneth Smith and Helen Marion Lempka) on 19 Jul 1952 in Schenectady County, NY. She was born on 28 Apr 1928 in Schenectady County, NY. She died on 26 May 2008 in South Plainfield, Middlesex, NJ.
3. **ANNA MARIE² CUPO** (Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda)¹ Riccardi) was born on 06 Jun 1903 in Schenectady, New York. She died in Sep 1978. She married **ARTHUR H. EIFERT**.
Arthur H. Eifert and Anna Marie Cupo had the following children:
- i. **ARTHUR J.³ EIFERT** (son of Arthur H. Eifert and Anna Marie Cupo) was born in 1929.
 - ii. **FLORENCE EIFERT** (daughter of Arthur H. Eifert and Anna Marie Cupo) was born on 25 Sep 1934 in Rotterdam Junction, Schenectady, New York, USA. She died on 15 Mar 2012 in Schenectady, New York. She met **ERNEST HORTON**.
4. **STEPHEN² St. JOHN** (Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda)¹ Riccardi, Joseph, Unknown).

Notes for Stephen St. John:

Stephen likely was Joseph's son from a prior marriage because his natural mother was not Florence. Steven Cupo took guitar lessons from Stephen when Stephen was a very elderly man. Stephen's daughter Jean also taught Steven Cupo guitar.

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Stephen St. John had the following child:

- i. JEAN³ ST. JOHN (daughter of Stephen St. John).

Generation 3

5. **JOHN JOSEPH³ CUPO** (Joseph Nicholas², Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda)¹ Riccardi) was born on 29 Feb 1924 in Schenectady, Schenectady County, NY. He died on 02 Sep 1973 in Schenectady, Schenectady, NY. He married **ELIZABETH MADGE "BETTY" GUYER**. She was born on 26 Nov 1923 in Watervliet, Albany County, NY. She died on 29 Sep 1995 in Schenectady, Schenectady County, NY.

More About John Joseph Cupo:

Burial: Viewland Cemetery, Cobblestone Church, Rotterdam, Schenectady County, NY

Notes for John Joseph Cupo:

FAGM #144498631 -- Died at the kitchen table while eating.

More About Elizabeth Madge "Betty" Guyer:

Burial: Viewland Cemetery, Cobblestone Church, Rotterdam, Schenectady County, NY

John Joseph Cupo and Elizabeth Madge "Betty" Guyer had the following child:

7. i. **MARY LOU⁴ CUPO** (daughter of John Joseph Cupo and Elizabeth Madge "Betty" Guyer) was born on 16 Mar 1943 in Schenectady, New York. She died on 09 Apr 2009 in Schenectady, New York. She met JAMES CLIFF JOHNSON.
6. **EVERARD NICHOLAS³ CUPO** (Joseph Nicholas², Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda)¹ Riccardi) was born on 22 Nov 1926 in Schenectady County, NY. He married Ruth Marion Smith (daughter of Roy Kenneth Smith and Helen Marion Lempka) on 19 Jul 1952 in Schenectady County, NY. She was born on 28 Apr 1928 in Schenectady County, NY. She died on 26 May 2008 in South Plainfield, Middlesex, NJ.

More About Ruth Marion Smith:

Burial: 31 May 2008 in Viewland Cemetery, Cobblestone Church, Schenectady, NY

Notes for Ruth Marion Smith:

FAGM #29506160 -- Graduated high school at the age of 15! Near the end of WWII, she was employed as a secretary for the government through the General Electric Company in the Department of Radio and Radar Countermeasures, requiring her to receive top secret clearance. After the war, she graduated from Ellis Hospital Training School for Nurses and worked at Glenridge Nursing Hospital, then at Ellis Hospital and St. Clare's Hospital as an operating room nurse.

Everard Nicholas Cupo and Ruth Marion Smith had the following children:

8. i. **JOHN JOSEPH⁴ CUPO** (son of Everard Nicholas Cupo and Ruth Marion Smith) was born on 28 Apr 1953 in Schenectady County, NY. He met (1) **ALICIA ANN FERRANTE** (daughter of Gerald Robert Ferrante and Virginia Unknown). She was born on 10 Jul 1954. He married Lynn Dostal in 1997. She was born on 28 Aug 1954.
- ii. **STEVEN ROY CUPO** (son of Everard Nicholas Cupo and Ruth Marion Smith) was born on 17 Aug 1954 in Schenectady, New York. He married **DANIEL LEE ENGELJOHN** (son of Carroll Lee Engeljohn and Oma Lillian Siddens). He was born on 05 Sep 1955 in St Elmo, Fayette County, IL.

Notes for Steven Roy Cupo:

FAGM #145603069, with tombstone picture -- Although Steven is not yet deceased, Steven wanted to ensure that his headstone matched the headstones

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of the three relatives that he will be buried near, most particularly his grandmother, Helen Smith. Steven's burial plot came about because Roy and Helen Smith purchased a four-top on sale in 1963; thinking they and one of their daughters and husband would be buried in the four plots. Unfortunately, Helen's older brother died young with no funds or spouse to cover full burial costs. Thus, Helen had her brother John buried in the third unassigned plot. Upon Roy's and Helen's deaths, their middle daughter, Shirley LeFevre, inherited the unassigned fourth plot. However, since she was going to be buried next to her first husband, Pete, she did not want or need it. Steven asked his Aunt Shirley if he could have the fourth unassigned plot. Aunt Shirley said yes and immediately sent the deed. Steven then Googled headstone makers in Schenectady, NY, contacted one and asked if they could duplicate the existing headstone design. Even after Steven sent the design information, they sent a representative to Viewland Cemetery to take their own measurements. Being that the headstone was standard in design, they had no trouble matching the existing headstones of the three relatives already buried. Steven commissioned the headstone and, upon completion, had it placed on the empty plot in 2009. Steven's spouse Daniel has requested to be cremated, leaving Steven with an opportunity to be buried with loved ones.

Notes for Daniel Lee Engeljohn:

Steven and Dan became a couple on 2/14/1990 in Washington, DC. Their domestic partnership license was issued on 1/8/2007 in Washington, DC. Their marriage license was issued on 9/2/2014.

9. iii. MICHAEL EVERARD CUPO (son of Everard Nicholas Cupo and Ruth Marion Smith) was born on 16 Jul 1960 in Schenectady County, NY. He met (1) LORI LIBERO. He met (2) ALICIA ANN FERRANTE (daughter of Gerald Robert Ferrante and Virginia Unknown). She was born on 10 Jul 1954.

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7. **MARY LOU⁴ CUPO** (John Joseph³, Joseph Nicholas², Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda)¹ Riccardi) was born on 16 Mar 1943 in Schenectady, New York. She died on 09 Apr 2009 in Schenectady, New York. She met **JAMES CLIFF JOHNSON**.

More About Mary Lou Cupo:

Burial: Schenectady Memorial Park, Schenectady, NY

Notes for Mary Lou Cupo:

FAGM #120264876, with tombstone picture --

James Cliff Johnson and Mary Lou Cupo had the following children:

- i. **JAMES⁵ JOHNSON** (son of James Cliff Johnson and Mary Lou Cupo).
 - ii. **JASON JOHNSON** (son of James Cliff Johnson and Mary Lou Cupo).
 - iii. **JULIE JOHNSON** (daughter of James Cliff Johnson and Mary Lou Cupo).
8. **JOHN JOSEPH⁴ CUPO** (Everard Nicholas³, Joseph Nicholas², Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda)¹ Riccardi) was born on 28 Apr 1953 in Schenectady County, NY. He met (1) **ALICIA ANN FERRANTE** (daughter of Gerald Robert Ferrante and Virginia Unknown). She was born on 10 Jul 1954. He married Lynn Dostal in 1997. She was born on 28 Aug 1954.

Notes for John Joseph Cupo:

John's first wife was Alicia Ferrante, and produced four children: Stephanie Elizabeth, David John, Jeffrey Robert, and Audrey Louise. John and Alicia divorced and John married his second wife Lynn.

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Notes for Alicia Ann Ferrante:

Alicia was first married to John but divorced and later married John's brother Michael. Because Michael's three boys were quite young at the time of the divorce, Alicia formally adopted all three boys shortly after Michael and Alicia married.

John Joseph Cupo and Alicia Ann Ferrante had the following children:

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 - i. STEPHANIE ELIZABETH⁵ CUPO (daughter of John Joseph Cupo and Alicia Ann Ferrante) was born on 13 Dec 1980 in Edison, Middlesex, NJ.
 - ii. DAVID JOHN CUPO (son of John Joseph Cupo and Alicia Ann Ferrante) was born on 07 Apr 1983 in Edison, Middlesex, NJ.
 - iii. JEFFREY ROBERT CUPO (son of John Joseph Cupo and Alicia Ann Ferrante) was born on 14 Aug 1987 in Edison, Middlesex, NJ.
 - iv. AUDREY LOUISE CUPO (daughter of John Joseph Cupo and Alicia Ann Ferrante) was born on 02 Nov 1990 in Edison, Middlesex, NJ.
9. **MICHAEL EVERARD⁴ CUPO** (Everard Nicholas³, Joseph Nicholas², Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda)¹ Riccardi) was born on 16 Jul 1960 in Schenectady County, NY. He met (1) **LORI LIBERO**. He met (2) **ALICIA ANN FERRANTE** (daughter of Gerald Robert Ferrante and Virginia Unknown). She was born on 10 Jul 1954.

Notes for Michael Everard Cupo:

Michael's first marriage to Lori produced three sons: Michael Robert, Joseph Roy, and Christopher Anthony. Michael and Lori divorced and Michael was remarried to his second wife Alicia.

Michael Everard Cupo and Lori Libero had the following children:

- i. MICHAEL ROBERT⁵ CUPO (son of Michael Everard Cupo and Lori Libero) was born on 31 Jan 1986 in Edison, Middlesex, NJ.
- ii. JOSEPH ROY CUPO (son of Michael Everard Cupo and Lori Libero) was born on 20 Apr 1988 in Edison, Middlesex, NJ. He married Ann Marie Roos (daughter of Gregory Roos and Martina Henderson) on 23 Dec 2015 in Las Vegas, Clark County, NV. She was born on 03 Jun 1985 in Cincinnati, OH.
- iii. CHRISTOPHER ANTHONY CUPO (son of Michael Everard Cupo and Lori Libero) was born on 18 Aug 1992 in Edison, Middlesex, NJ.

Notes for Alicia Ann Ferrante:

Alicia was first married to John but divorced and later married John's brother Michael. Because Michael's three boys were quite young at the time of the divorce, Alicia formally adopted all three boys shortly after Michael and Alicia married.

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10. **STEPHANIE ELIZABETH⁵ CUPO** (John Joseph⁴, Everard Nicholas³, Joseph Nicholas², Fioritta (Florence; Maria; Mary; Freda)¹ Riccardi) was born on 13 Dec 1980 in Edison, Middlesex, NJ. Stephanie Elizabeth Cupo had the following child:
 - i. HARPER NOLA⁶ KROUT (daughter of Stephanie Elizabeth Cupo) was born on 01 Sep 2009 in Pennsylvania.

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