



## **2004 HOF Speech**

## **Rosalia Gioia Presenter - Vita Amendolagine**

Good Evening Ladies and Gentlemen. It is an honor to be here tonight among so many outstanding people and it is a pleasure to introduce one so near and dear to me. Rosalia Gioia is not just my sister, but also my twin, sharing a love for family and friends – a love of opera, New York Times crossword puzzles – love for the outdoors, and a passion for Manhattan and city life.

One thing we do not share is playing Lacrosse (I wouldn't know a lacrosse stick from a field hockey stick). Yet it the dedication to what each of us pursues that we share the most – and that is my sister's love for the sport of Lacrosse and why we are here tonight. I am proud of my sister's many accomplishments, her career as an educator (still ongoing), gold medalist in national senior game competition in track and field, tennis, basketball.

And so without further ado, I introduce to the newest inductee, Rosalia Gioia. "