



Elaine L. Perez

September 10, 1936 - April 18, 2025

Elaine Louise (Ganter) Perez, age 88, passed peacefully in her sleep on April 18, 2025. Born on September 10, 1936 to the late Albert and Odessa Ganter, she was raised in the Homewood section of Pittsburgh and moved to Penn Hills early in her marriage where she raised her family. Elaine was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother who devoted her life to her family. She leaves behind her loving husband of 70 years, Albert; her sons, Albert, Michael (Diane), and David (Erin) and her dedicated and faithful daughter, Theresa (Val) Petersen. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Christina, Matthew, Phillip (Lauren), Elise, David and Dominic Perez, Jessica (Ryan) Delaney, Stephanie (James) DeSimone, and Daniel (Christy) and Sarah Petersen and nine great-grandchildren. Also predeceasing her were her brothers, Albert, Edward, Clarence and William Ganter; her sisters, Leona Szulborski and Rosemary Holtzman and her grandson, Michael Perez, Jr. Elaine was an avid reader, loved the beach and excelled at everything she put her mind to. Her beautiful crocheted creations will be treasured by everyone lucky enough to have received one. Her family will treasure the memories of being cheered on by mom at sporting, school and scout events, picnics at Keystone, magical Christmases, the original Halloween costumes she lovingly created and most importantly, the loving home she created for them.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests kind donations to the Northern Area Multi-Service Center's Meals on Wheels Program. Donations can be sent to NAMSC Meals on Wheels, 209 13th Street, Pittsburgh, Pa 15215. Checks can

be made payable to NAMSC or the Northern Area Multi-Service Center.
Friends will be received April 28 between 2 and 4 p.m. at Thomas M. Smith
Funeral Home, 930 Center Avenue, Blawnox, PA. Inurnment will be at The
National Cemetery of the Alleghenies on Tuesday, April 29 at promptly 10:30
a.m.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **28**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

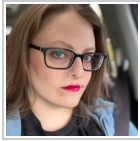
Thomas M. Smith Funeral Home and Crematory Ltd.
930 Center Avenue
Blawnox, PA 15238

Chapel Service

APR **29**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

National Cemetery of the Alleghenies
1158 Morgan Road
Bridgeville, PA 15017

Tribute Wall



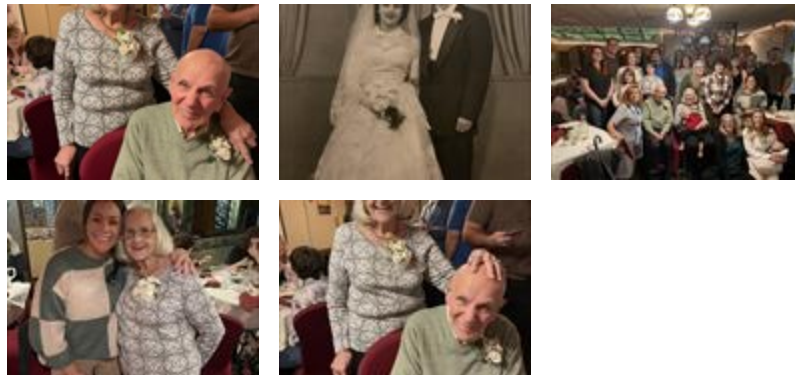
“ Your words were always positive and encouraging. I'll miss you, Aunt Elaine.



Lorin Boonie - April 23, 2025 at 09:02 PM

TE

“ I miss you, mum. Love you to the moon and back 💔💔



Terri - April 23, 2025 at 07:52 AM

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“ Many fun memories with Aunt Elaine (and Uncle Al) on our visits up north from Florida. Her special M&M pancakes she made for my Al (nephew) we will never forget!!! What a crazy breakfast that morning! Tons of laughter! May you rest in God's Arms now Aunt Elaine. Our deepest sympathy to Uncle Al and all the family she so loved. Al & Naomi Ganter 💔

Al & Naomi Ganter - April 21, 2025 at 07:21 PM

ME

A wonderful neighbor and friend. She had many creative talents not to mention wedding favors and cookies. We will miss her.

Maureen Eckels - April 22, 2025 at 11:16 AM

CA

Yes, her wedding bell shape favors were beautiful! Cathy 🌹🌹🌹

cathy - April 22, 2025 at 02:29 PM

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“ 4 files added to the album *Fun times with Aunt Elaine & Uncle Al*



Al & Naomi Ganter - April 21, 2025 at 07:07 PM