



Judith M. Baranowski

September 20, 1940 - April 29, 2024

Judith (Traenkner) Baranowski of Blawnox, formerly of Natrona Heights and New Kensington, passed away on April 29, 2024. She resided at Quality Life Services in Sarver, PA.

She was born September 20, 1940, to the late Cornelia and Ivan Traenkner. Judith was a graduate of Har-Brack High School, class of 1958, also attending Duquesne and Point Park Universities.

She worked as a teacher at Blessed Sacrament Elementary in Natrona Heights. Most of her professional career following, was working at various financial institutions. Later in life, she served as a elementary teaching assistant/aid in the Fox Chapel School District.

Judie was an avid reader, word game enthusiast, and a fan of the show Jeopardy. Through regional competitions, she qualified twice to appear on the show. However, she was not picked as a Jeopardy contestant in the final selection process.

For 20 years, she was an extremely active member of the New Ken Civic Theatre. Having many attributes with the theatre, she was involved with all aspects from directing, acting, set construction, costumes, and makeup.

She is survived by her husband, Russell Baranowski of 53 years, son Drew Baranowski from Blawnox, PA, sister, Kathleen Butera Chicago, IL, sister in

law, Joyce Traenkner Erie, PA, and nephews Nick (Karen) Traenkner and Kris (Erin) Traenkner of Ohio.

Other family members include her aunts and uncle; Aurella Barch, Brackenridge, PA, Marie Paul, Cheswick, PA, Rene (Bill) Pierce, Butler, PA, Linus (Corrine) Barch of Springdale, PA, and numerous cousins.

Her brother David passed away in October 2022.

A viewing will take place on Friday, May 3, 2024 from 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm at the Thomas M. Smith Funeral Home & Crematory Ltd., 930 Center Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15238 (Blawnox). Her funeral service will take place on Saturday at 10am at the Redeemer Lutheran Church, 1261 Pennsylvania Ave. Oakmont, PA 15139. EVERYONE PLEASE MEET AT CHURCH. Interment will follow in Mount Airy Cemetery.

www.thomasmsmithfh.com

Cemetery Details

Mount Airy Cemetery

2800 Old Freeport Road
Natrona Heights, PA 15065

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 3. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Visitation

MAY 3. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Ceremony

MAY 4. 10:00 AM (ET)

Redeemer Lutheran Church
1261 Pennsylvania Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15139

Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Judith M. Baranowski.* ”



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