



## Julia J. Strelec

March 20, 1924 - April 20, 2025

Julia (Slenkovich) Strelec, 101, most recently of O'Hara Twp, passed away on Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025, at the Veterans Administration Hospice (Heinz Campus). Julia was born March 20, 1924, in Rankin, PA, to Anton Crlenkovic and Rose (Zonarich) Crlenkovic.

She was a former member of Guardian Angels Parish in Natrona Heights and recently of Christ the King Parish in O'Hara Township.

She is survived by her son, Stephen Strelec, and daughter, Cynthia Giovannitti. Also surviving are grandchildren, Jessica (Strelec) Smith, Lauren Strelec, Melissa Stelec, Julie Scotti, and David Giovannitti, and great-grandchildren, Jack and Tessa Smith, and David Joseph Giovannitti.

One of 12 children, Julia was predeceased by siblings, Louise Slenkovich, John Slenkovich, Frank Slenkovich, Annie Rohm, Margaret Farrell, and Mary Fortino. She is survived by siblings, Rose Schultz, George Slenkovich, Patricia Wykoff, Pauline Tarr, and Joseph Slenkovich.

A 1942 graduate of Etna High School, Julia joined the US Navy WAVES and served during WWII. Upon discharge she worked for Gulf Oil, and later was employed by the PA State Office of Vocational Rehabilitation as well as the PA State Department of Welfare.

She was a dedicated mother and homemaker who will be greatly missed by all whose lives she touched.

Professional services entrusted to Smith Funeral Home & Crematory Ltd; 930 Center Avenue Blawnox, PA, 15238; [www.thomasmithfuneralhome.com](http://www.thomasmithfuneralhome.com).



# Cemetery Details

## Lakewood Memorial Gardens

943 Route 910  
Cheswick, PA 15024

# Previous Events

## Mass

APR **23**. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

St. Scholastica Church  
309 Brilliant Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15215

# Tribute Wall

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“ Tara Lawrence & Arhaus Inventory Mgmt purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Julia J. Strelec.



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**Tara Lawrence & Arhaus Inventory Mgmt** - April 22, 2025 at 04:02 PM

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