



Lillian Zuccaro Ranii

July 20, 1926 - September 29, 2022

Lillian Zuccaro Ranii, of Aspinwall, known for her quick wit and devotion to family, died September 29, 2022. She was 96.

Lillian grew up in Aspinwall and worked from a young age at her family's business, The Brilliant Market. She graduated from Aspinwall High School.

A World War II veteran, James Frank Ranii, proposed to her on April 1, 1946. At first she thought it was an April Fool's joke, but for once in his life he wasn't kidding. He was the love of her life and, after he died in 2018, she often spoke of looking forward to joining him in the afterlife.

After they were married, Lillian was a full-time mom and homemaker at first but eventually went to work as a cashier at Kroger, first on a part-time basis and later full-time.

After she retired, she volunteered for 25 years at a ministry for the homeless and also for Aspinwall Meals on Wheels.

An avid card player, she played 500 with a group of dear friends twice a month for decades.

In the final years of her life, she was thrilled by the steady stream of friends

and relatives who visited her. Her fervent wish was to die at her home, which she was able to do thanks to the loving in-home care provided by her niece Beth Goetz and her wife, Lynn Yocum.

Lillian was a devout Catholic and member of St. Scholastica Church, conveniently located across the street from her house.

Lillian was the last surviving member of the "Greatest Generation" on both sides of her family. In addition to her husband of 72 years she was predeceased by her brothers, Anthony, August, Joseph and Samuel Zuccaro, and her sister, Mary Legath.

Survivors include her three children, James Jr. (Miguel), David (Bonnie) and Jan (J. Gary); grandchildren Melina, Anthony, Emily, Natalee and Marcus; and seven great-grandchildren.

A visitation will be held for both Lillian and her late husband James Frank Ranii on Monday, October 3rd, 2022 from 4:00pm-8:00pm at Thomas M. Smith Funeral Home & Crematory Ltd.; 930 Center Ave, Pittsburgh, Pa 15238 (Blawnox). www.thomasmsmithfuneralhome.com A funeral mass will be held at 10:00 am on Tuesday, October 4th, 2022 at Christ the King Parish, St. Scholastica Church, Aspinwall, Pa. **EVERYONE PLEASE MEET AT CHURCH.**

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Aspinwall Meals on Wheels Program, 450 Walnut St., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15238.

Tribute Wall



“ *Lillian Zuccaro Ranii*

October 09, 2023 at 09:55 AM



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October 06, 2023 at 11:36 AM