

# MARY LOUISE SKALNIAK



Mary Louise, age 84, originally from South Oakland, was called home by God on Saturday, September 23, 2023. Mary was preceded in death by her father, Stanley Skalniak; her mother, Mary Louise (Coyne) Skalniak; her brother, William Skalniak; and her many dogs and cats who were part of her family over the years. She is survived by her sister-in-law, Alberta (Schemm) Skalniak; her nephews, Joseph (Wendy)

Skalniak and David (Deneen) Skalniak; her niece, Marie (Skalniak) Bakowski (Brian); and her great-nieces and great-nephews, Brandon Skalniak, Grace Skalniak, Jennifer Bakowski, Julia Skalniak and Nicholas Skalniak. She is also survived by cousins, relatives, and friends. Mary worked for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of General Services as a contract procurement specialist until 1997. She was a devout Roman Catholic, an active parishioner at St. Regis Church in Oakland, and an advocate for the life of the unborn. She was devoted to the Blessed Mother; her travels included a pilgrimage to Medjugorje in the former Yugoslavia. Mary added a bit of kindness (and silliness) to everyone's life, and she will be missed. Family and friends are welcomed at the **JOHN N. ELACHKO FUNERAL HOME**, 3447 Dawson St., Pgh., PA 15213, for visitation on Wednesday, September 27, 2023, from 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Paul Cathedral on Thursday, September 28, 2023, at 9:30 a.m., followed by interment at Calvary Cemetery. Please visit Mary's memorial page at [ELACHKO.com](http://ELACHKO.com).

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