

GILDA ORFITELLI



Age 94, passed away on Monday, November 27th, in her home surrounded by loved ones.

Born on July 15, 1929, to Italian immigrants, she lived through the Great Depression and World War II all before she was 16.

Gilda was the beloved wife of the late Andy Orfitelli to whom she was married for almost 50 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents Servilio and Luisa Rago; along with siblings, Frances Sciulli, Nick Rago, Lae Lae Rago, Carmine Rago, Marie Minutello, and Gemma Matesic.

She is survived by her children Andrea Kennedy (Jay - deceased), Andy and Dominic (Madelyn); grandchildren John (Megan) Kennedy, Jillian (Zach) Fenstemaker, Cara (Ian) Stone, Avery, Nick, and Julia Orfitelli; and great-grandchildren Quinn, Kennedy, Jack, and Bridget.

She is also survived by her sister Ida Hallinan; and sister-in-law Lucille Rago; along with many loving nieces and nephews.

Gilda would be the first to tell you she led a full life, highlighted by summers in Donegal, countless trips with Andy, weekly family dinners, and trips to the casino.

The hallmark of Gilda's life was her love and devotion to her husband and family.

Friends received Wednesday Only from 1-3 p.m. and 5-7 p.m. at the **THOMAS L. NIED FUNERAL HOME, INC.**, 7441 Washington Street, Swissvale. Mass of Christian Burial in the St. Maurice Roman Catholic Church on Thursday morning at 10 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Joseph the Worker Ladies of Charity, 2001 Ardmore Blvd., Pittsburgh, PA 15221, or a charity of your choice.

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