## **HELENA C. STOJAKOVICH**

Age 94, formerly of Duquesne and McKeesport, went home to be with her Lord Jesus on Sunday, December 3, 2023 in St Augustine, Florida. Born April 3, 1929, she was the daughter of the late Dominic and Lucia Phillips, and wife of the late Nick Stojakovich. She was an ardent fan of the Steelers and the Penguins. Helena was a long-time member of Praise Assembly of God in North Versailles. She loved the Word of God, her favorite verse being John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." She loved to tell people about Jesus even to the end, sharing the love of Jesus with her medical staff.

She is survived by sons, Nicholas (Gloria) and Gary of St Augustine, Florida, Robert (Diane) of Lakeland, Georgia and Timothy (Carol) of Hahira, Georgia; sister, Jeanette Gergely of North Huntingdon; and brother, Robert (Jean) Phillips of Elizabeth Township; grandchildren, Heather Payne, Hannah McLaughlin, Danielle Thomas, Gary, Salvatore, Robert, Jeremy and Samuel Stojakovich; and several greatgrandchildren. In addition to her parents and her husband, she was preceded in death by sisters Rose Coccia, Velma "Thelma" House, Clara Sgattoni, and Yolanda DiGregory; and

grandson Matthew Stoiakovich.

Helena lived a rich and rewarding life, overcoming by God's grace difficulties and hardships. While we are sorrowful in this life, we have the hope of the resurrection when we will be united again in God's glorious kingdom.

Friends and family will be received from 4pm to 8pm on Friday, December 15, and from 9am to 11am on Saturday, December 16 at MALOY-SCHLEIFER FUNERAL HOME in Duquesne. A Service of Remembrance will be at Praise Assembly of God, 245 Foster Rd, North Versailles at Noon on Saturday, December 16, Pastor Tim Bunney officiating. Interment will be in Penn Lincoln Memorial Park in North Huntingdon. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Foundation of Community Hospice & Palliative Care, 4266 Sunbeam Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32257, www.communityhospice.com

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