MARILYN ANN (SLAUGHTER) BARTON



Age 88, died peacefully at home in Bear Rocks, PA on December 28th. Beloved and devoted mother of six children, she is survived by Chris (Audrey) Barton, Peters, Catherine Greg (Merrie Beth) Barton, Theresa (Andrew) Sabatini. Karl (Melissa) Barton, and Timothy (Lisa) Barton plus 20 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren and still counting! All those "kids" were her heart's delight and

Marilyn loved big, boisterous family gatherings overflowing with food and laughter!

Her Catholic faith and love of Jesus was the center of her life, and she spent her life's energy helping and guiding others as a psychologist and spiritual director. She worked for over 40 years building Christian Life Community groups in Pittsburgh and beyond. Her heart was always for the Lord and His work, and she, along with the late Fr. Jim O'Brien, SJ, founded the Bridges and Prayer Companions program in Pittsburgh to lead people through the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius of Loyola. Her work and passion for the Lord helped to transform many lives, and that legacy lives on in the people, families, and communities she touched.

Friends will be received January 4th from 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. at the **THOMAS L. NIED FUNERAL HOME INC.**, 7441 Washington St. Pittsburgh, PA 15218. Mass of Christian Burial on January 5th at 10 a.m. at Madonna del Castello Church 2021 S. Braddock Ave, Swissvale, PA 15218. Interment will follow at Good Shepherd Cemetery 733 Patton St. Monroeville, PA 15146. www.niedfuneralhome.com Send condolences post-gazette.com/zb