

BERNICE W. (SNYDER) BEWS



Bernice W. (Snyder) Bews, 93, of Kennedy Township, a faithful follower of her Catholic Faith, passed away peacefully into the arms of her loving Savior, on Monday, February 12, 2024, surrounded by her loving family. Bernice, born on June 14, 1930, in Pittsburgh, was one of six children born to the late Andrew and Mary Snyder. On February 26, 2019, Bernice was preceded in death by her husband William

"Bill" R. Bews, who she married on December 2, 1982. In addition to her parents and spouse, she was preceded in death by her daughter Barbara "Neen" Zankel; her two grandsons, Jason Merriman, and Justin Zankel; and five siblings. Bernice is the beloved mother of Carol Schavolt, Robert Merriman, Tim (Janet) Merriman, Bill (Jennifer) Merriman, and Debbie Cyrilla; loving grandmother of Kellie (Craig) Cibrone, Kristie (Shonna) Schavolt, Cassidy (Tom) Williams, Samantha Merriman, Jacob Merriman, Courtney Cyrilla, Joseph Cyrilla, and Jordan Merriman; great-grandmother of Robert and Olivia Cibrone; step-mother of William Bews, Gary Bews and Susan (Regis) Bender. Bernice, a prayer warrior, was deeply religious and loved to pray. Her hobby was to pray for others, printing their names on a list, sometimes, three pages on both sides. She would pray nightly, saying each name while she touched each name. It would take her at least three hours nightly, which she gladly devoted to her prayer friends. She would also write prayer poems for her family and her prayer family. Serenity is found in fervent prayer, where we forget ourselves and lift others up to the out-stretched hands of our Savior. She was a member of St. Joseph Church. Visitation Thursday (Feb. 15th) 4-8 PM at **COPELAND'S** Coraopolis, 867 Fifth Ave. where prayers will be recited on Friday at 9:30 AM followed by Mass of Christian Burial at Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, St. Joseph Church at 10 AM. Burial will follow in Coraopolis Cemetery.

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