

RITA ANNE MAGILL



Rita Anne Magill, born Rita Anne Maio, age 100, passed away peacefully on April 4, 2024, in Palm Harbor, Florida. She was born on March 31, 1924, in Brooklyn, New York. Rita was a warm and giving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother who cherished time spent with her family and many friends. She enjoyed celebrating holidays with members of her extended family and was socially active, engaging in church activities and bridge nights with her companions. Rita served in the U.S. Navy WAVES during World War II. After her children were older, she worked as a social work supervisor at Western Center Hospital near Canonsburg, Pennsylvania until her retirement. She had a passion for travel, reading and discussing politics. She was a Bethel Park Democratic Committeewoman and the first woman to run for Bethel Park Borough Council. A woman of varied interests, she was both a charter member of the National Organization of Women (NOW) and active in the Christian Family Movement (CFM). She is survived by her three children, Jim and wife Janet Magill, Marita and husband Doug Eddy, and Megan and husband Wesley Wallace; along with three grandchildren, James Magill, Joni Rueby and Sean Eddy; and step-grandson, Andrew Wallace; and four great-grandchildren, Nolan, Rosemary, Owen and Ethan Rueby. She's also survived by her nieces and nephews, including Jean Anne Marsh, Mary Summerfield, Charles Jennings, Paul Jennings, Jim Pantoni, Patty Niewinski and Dino Pantoni, and their respective spouses and children. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, James (Ted) Magill; children, Kathleen (Kay), Linda, Richard and (infant) David Magill; her sisters, Vera Jennings and Rose Jennings; and her brothers- and sisters-in-law, Jane Kelly, Bob Magill, Albert Magill, Sister Mary Anthony, Dick Magill and Marcy Reed. Rita was a longtime member of St. Thomas More Catholic Church (Resurrection Parish) in Bethel Park, Pennsylvania. She later joined St. Ignatius of Antioch Catholic Church in Tarpon Springs, Florida, where she and Ted spent many winters. Viewing will take place at **FREYVOGEL-SLATER FUNERAL DIRECTORS** (412-835-1860) 112 Fort Couch Rd., Bethel Park 15241 (opposite Macy's South Hills Village) on Thursday, April 18, 2024, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Thomas More Catholic Church on Friday, April 19, at 10 a.m. followed by a luncheon at the Family Life Center. Burial will follow at the National Cemetery of the Alleghenies in Bridgeville, Pennsylvania. Donations may be made to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, Catholic Relief Services or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Rita's honor.

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