

## **JOAN D. (LABEKA) FINLAND**

Age 88, of Palm Harbor, Florida, formerly of Bellevue, Pennsylvania, passed away peacefully in hospice with her son by her side on May 7, 2024. Born on July 27, 1935, in McKees Rocks, Pennsylvania, she was the daughter of the late Michael and Marie (Zatwarski) Labeka. She graduated from the DePaul Institute, a private boarding school for the Deaf in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1954. After Vocational Training Program in Office Machines, she was employed as an Office Worker at Thrift Drug Company. She married the love of her life, Roscoe M. Finland, on July 12, 1958. They moved to Dunkirk, New York and later moved back to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1969. She was a devoted housewife and mother who always put her family first. Beloved mother to her three children: James (Karen) Finland of Palm Harbor, Florida, Steven Finland of Palm Harbor, Florida and Paul (Kerry) Finland of Indian Land, South Carolina; and a loving grandmother to her three grandchildren: Dylan, Jarod and Emily; and her beloved sister, Gloria (Owen) Woodcock; and nephews and nieces. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Roscoe M. Finland in 1995 and her brother Ronald Labeka. She was an avid Pittsburgh Steelers and Penguins fan. She adored her son's deceased cat, "Bella" so much. She will be deeply missed by all who knew her. Her kind heart, warm smile and love will never be forgotten. Visitation Tuesday, May 14, 2024, 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the **LAWRENCE T. MILLER FUNERAL HOME, INC.**, 460 Lincoln Avenue, Bellevue. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Wednesday, May 15, 2024, 10:30 a.m. at Regina Coeli Parish, Church of the Assumption, Bellevue.

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