

# ANNA (SAMONAS) KUKUNAS



Anna (Samonas) Kukunas, age 91, of Regent Square, fell asleep in the Lord at her home on May 11, 2024. She was born in 1933 in Kardamyla, Chios, Greece and came to the United States in 1949 settling in Youngstown, Ohio.

After graduating from South High School in Youngstown, Anna worked at Strouss Department Store. She married the love of her life, James T. Kukunas in 1956

after a two-year courtship and remained married to James for 67 years until his death in January 2024.

Anna was a member of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral and its Philoptochas Society. Her quiet, unassuming manner hid a mastery of cooking and baking. Her cookies and Greek pastries were enjoyed by friends and family. The only thing that surpassed her zeal for baking was her selfless love for her family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Stamatis and Irene (Fekaris) Samonas; her siblings, Maria and George (Irene) Samonas; her husband, James T. Kukunas and her son, Theodore Kukunas.

Anna is survived by her children: son, Dr. Steve (Anastasia) Kukunas of Pittsburgh; daughter, Pelagia (James) Makricostas of Weirton, WV; her grandchildren, James T. (Riley) Kukunas, James S. Kukunas, Dr. Paul (Dr. Ashley) Kukunas, Dr. Eugenia Makricostas, Stephen Kukunas, Anna Makricostas, Annette (Ian) Piper and also many nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family would like to give a special thanks to Gina from Family Hospice for her excellent care.

Visitation will be held at the **THOMAS L. NIED FUNERAL HOME, INC.**, 7441 Washington Street, Swissvale, PA 15218 on Thursday, May 16th from 4-8 p.m. with a Trisagion service at 6 p.m. Additional visitation will be on Friday May 17th from 8:30 - 9:30 a.m. at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral. Funeral service will follow at 9:30 a.m.

The family asks that all donations be made in Anna's memory to St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 419 South Dithridge Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15213.

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