

GERALDINE ROSE PAGONE



Geraldine Rose Pagone, age 77, on Thursday, July 25, 2024, of Franklin Park (formerly of Ross Twp.) Beloved daughter of the late Ralph J. DeMar and Mary Jane (Dougherty) DeMar; and beloved daughter-in-law of the late Frank R. Pagone and the late Elizabeth Lee "Betty" (Cahill) Pagone. Devoted wife of 61 years of the late Ralph D. Pagone. Loving mother of Renee (Pagone) Doerr and her husband Gregory J. Doerr;

Ralph J. Pagone and his wife Bridget M. (Woods) Pagone and the late Ronald J. Pagone. Proud grandmother and "Nunny" to Brittney A. Pagone and her husband Joel M. Suen, Joshua A. Doerr and his wife Jasmine D. (Idak) Doerr, Alexa E. Pagone, Kendall A. Doerr and her partner Jade Carter, Lauren M. Pagone, and Olivia J. Pagone. Great-grandmother to Leah, Joel, Jr. (J.J.), Jackson, and Grace. Sister of Jacquie DeMar, Janet Diel (DeMar) and the late Frank J. Diel, and Cindy DeMar. Sister-in-law of Beverly Crowell (Pagone), the late Caren Ralston (Pagone), JoAnne Roldan (Pagone), Arlene Alonso (Pagone), Marilyn Pagone, and Francis Samay (Pagone). Also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, godchildren, cousins, and fur babies.

Gerry's faith and belief in God and Jesus were strong, and she raised her family as Catholic. As she started to have health issues five years ago, she proved to us all how tough and resilient she really was in her small 5' tall body. As all her grandchildren grew up, they all began to be taller than her, so they used a term of endearment for her as "fun-sized Nunny". Yesterday, July 25, surrounded by her family, Gerry peacefully left us to be with God, to join the love of her life Ralph D., and others who have gone before her.

Gerry was the great woman behind her successful husband Ralph D. She was a homemaker, retail sales specialist, C.P.R. and First Aid Instructor, volunteer, and friend. She and her husband taught numerous classes throughout Pittsburgh and Allegheny County, which included police officers, firefighters, doctors, dentists, nurses, lifeguards, elder care workers, churches, college students, Boy Scout Troops, Girl Scout Troops, pharmacists, etc. She also taught for years at the Community College of Allegheny County. In over 30 years of teaching, the number of lives they have touched is unquantifiable.

There will be a viewing for Gerry on Friday, July 26, 2024 from 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM at **SHELLHAAS FUNERAL HOME**, 1600 Stone Mansion Drive, Franklin Park Boro, 15143. There will be a Mass of Christian Burial this Saturday, July 27, 2024, at St. Alexis Church at St. Aiden Parish, 10090 Old Perry Highway, Wexford (McCandless), PA, at 9:30 AM. Immediately after mass, there will be a procession from church to her final resting place alongside her husband at the North Side Cemetery on Cemetery Lane in Ross Twp. Immediately afterward, a Celebration of Life Party will honor Gerry at the Wildwood Country Club, 2195 Sample Road, Allison Park (Hampton Twp.), PA. Food, oldies, and an opportunity to tell your stories about Gerry will be there.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made in Gerry's name to either Berkeley Hills Volunteer Fire Company-Station 247, 235 Siebert Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15237, or <http://www.station247.org> and clicking the "support us" link, or to McCandless-Franklin Park Ambulance Authority-Station 130, 9925 Grubbs Road, Wexford, PA 15090, or <http://www.mfpaa.org> and clicking the "donate now" link.

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