

MARIA VARRATI



After a long and well-lived life devoted to faith and family, Maria (DePasquale) Varrati left this world surrounded by her loved ones. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 56 years, Domenico; her parents, Raffaele and Venestina (Bucci) Depasquale; her sister, Bice; and brother, Domenico DePasquale. Affectionately remembered as "Nonna Maria" or "Big Nonna", Maria

is survived by her loving daughters, Enrichetta (Pietro) DiNardo of Canada, and Sabbia Varrati; cherished grandchildren, Anthony (Diana) DiNardo, Dominic (Lisa) DiNardo, Peter DiNardo, Benjamin (Nancy) Tomchik, and Vanessa (Whitney) Varrati; and adored great-grandchildren, Julian, Danielle, Lauren, Leo, Eleanor, and Sabrina. Maria was born on December 18, 1928, in Gamberale, Italy. She was a devout Catholic and faithful parishioner of her beloved St. Paul's Cathedral in Oakland where she attended daily Mass for more than 60 years. Faith was the foundation of her life and she was the living embodiment of Pope Francis' message that "we are all called to be saints." She was the heart and soul of her family. A wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother who selflessly put others first. Her life was defined by the values of compassion, hard work, strength, wisdom, and unconditional love - all of which she instilled in her family. She will be missed, but her family finds peace knowing that she will be reunited in heaven with her husband, parents, and those who passed before her. Family and friends are welcomed at the **JOHN N. ELACHKO FUNERAL HOME**, 3447 Dawson St., Pittsburgh, PA 15213 on Sunday, October 13, 2024, from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., Rosary Vigil at 6:30 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial on Monday, October 14, 2024, at St. Paul Cathedral at 10:00 a.m. Entombment immediately following at Calvary Cemetery. Please visit Maria's memorial page at ELACHKO.com.

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