

SHIRLEY R. WARNER



On Tuesday, October 29, 2024, Shirley R. Warner, age 93, was welcomed into Heaven with open arms. A devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, she is finally reunited with her best friend and husband, Wallace (Wally) Warner.

Born and raised in Carrick, Shirley was the daughter of Jacob Alphonse and Catherine Rectenwald. She joins her beloved sisters,

Mary Jane (John) Lazenga, Ruth (Mike) Then, Norma (Al) Piel, Tessie (Francis) Nowalk; and brother, Jim Rectenwald in Heaven. Shirley is survived by her seven children, Therese (Bob) Palyo, Cathy (Paul) King, Marianne Cunningham, Barbara (Paul) DeRenzo, Paul (Jennifer) Warner, Christine (Frank) Beddings, Joe (Ileen) Warner; 19 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Mary Helen Rectenwald; and many nieces and nephews.

Shirley met the love of her life, Wally, on a blind date in Texas. Six months later, they were married and began a union that lasted 60 years. Shirley's full-time vocation was a wife and mother. She somehow juggled nine social and academic calendars and sporting events, yet managed to have dinner (and dessert of course) on the table every evening. Her home always smelled of something freshly baked, which gave any visitor a sense of comfort and warmth.

Shirley was a fierce prayer warrior, starting the Children of Faith prayer group at Nativity Church and leading the daily rosary group at The Residence at Whitehall. So many of us depended on her humble and faithful prayers. Shirley had a joyful spirit, a quick-witted sense of humor and loved to play cards and Scrabble right up until she left us.

Friends received Friday, November 1, from 2-8 p.m., at the **GRIFFITH FUNERAL HOME, INC.**, 5636 Brownsville Road, (at 6th St.) South Park Twp., (412) 655-4600. Funeral prayer, Saturday, November 2, at 9:15 a.m., at the funeral home, with a Mass of Christian Burial in Our Lady of Hope Parish-Nativity Church at 10 a.m.

A heartfelt thanks to the care, support and comfort provided by Bridges Hospice. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the People Concerned for the Unborn Child, 3050 Pioneer Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15226.

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