

LORRAINE CHURILLA



With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of Lorraine Churilla, beloved mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, who peacefully left us at the age of 96, on December 24, 2024.

Born on October 20, 1928, Lorraine lived a life marked by boundless love, selflessness, and unwavering dedication to her family. As a mother, she was the embodiment of grace, patience, and kindness, always putting the needs of her children and grandchildren above her own. Her home was a sanctuary filled with warmth, wisdom, and laughter, where everyone felt loved and cherished. Whether offering words of encouragement, giving a listening ear, or simply being present, she was the perfect mother and grandmother- devoted, nurturing, and endlessly supportive.

Lorraine was not only a mother, but a true pillar of her family. Her strong faith in Jesus Christ, compassion, and infectious joy created a legacy of love that will carry on through her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

She taught us the values of kindness, humility, and the importance of family, leaving an indelible mark, on everyone who had the privilege of knowing her.

In addition to her family, Lorraine had a lifelong passion for cooking Italian food and always making special dishes for each one in the family, especially her grandchildren which brought her much joy throughout her life. Lorraine was employed by the Plum Borough school district for 30 years in both the cafeteria at both Center elementary and Plum High School.

She is survived by her children, Michael (Janet), Matthew (Kathy), Joseph, Terence (Patti) Churilla, Susan (Joseph) Hessom, Lori Churilla; 13 grandchildren; and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by our father, Matthew Churilla.

Though she is no longer with us, her spirit lives on in the love she gave, the memories she created, and the many lives she touched.

Rest in peace Lorraine, you were the perfect mother and your love will remain in our hearts forever.

Friends received, Sunday, 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. at **SOXMAN FUNERAL HOMES, LTD./ROTH CHAPEL**, 7450 Saltsburg Road (at Universal Road), Penn Hills. Mass of Christian Burial, Monday, 12:00 p.m. in St. John the Baptist Church. Interment in Plum Creek Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in Lorraine's memory may be made to the Concordia at Ridgewood Place activity fund.

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