

# JEAN GARRIGAN McKENNA



Age 96, died peacefully in her residence, at St. Anne Home in Greensburg, on January 16, 2025. She was the daughter of the late John Michael Garrigan and Mary Catharine Short Garrigan. Jean was born in Buffalo, NY, on August 13, 1928 and was raised in Derry Township, PA. She and her husband, Jim, made a home with their children in Monroeville, PA. Jean was preceded in death by beloved family members:

her husband, James; son, James, Jr.; daughter-in-law, Carol McKenna' sons-in-law, John Landkrohn and Ernest Emmerling; and sister, Ann Garrigan Sweeney. Jean is survived by her devoted daughters, Mary Landkrohn and Ann Emmerling; adoring grandchildren, Patti Nance (Chris), Samuel Emmerling (Gina Dominick), Jacob Emmerling, Emily Woomer (Neal) and Molly Landkrohn (Paul Daugherty); darling great-grandchildren, Elizabeth and Zachary Nance, Eli Evanosky, Zander and Evelyn Daugherty and Hadley and Silas Woomer; and many loving nieces, nephews, grandnieces and nephews, cousins and dear friends. Jean was Valedictorian of her graduating class at Derry High School, and received a scholarship to attend Duquesne University for a degree in Elementary Education. Jean taught kindergarten for 25 years, the majority of those in the Gateway School District in Monroeville. Jean had many interests: theater, opera, music, baseball, politics and jigsaw puzzles. Before his death, she and her husband, Jim, traveled in the United States, Canada and Europe. She and Jim were hands-on parents and grandparents, devoting countless hours to activities and adventures. Jean treasured her time with family and friends as well as many furry companions. Jean had a deep faith and was very active in RCIA and the Ladies of Charity at St. Bernadette Church in Monroeville. She provided a great role model of service in the community, engaging in activities like her many years of volunteer service at Blackburn Center in Greensburg. Jean was generous, kind, funny, quick-witted, progressive, resilient and much-loved. As the matriarch of the family, she will be dearly missed. Jean's family extends thanks to the staff from Villa Angela at St. Anne Home and Heartland Hospice, who provided loving care to Jean. Friends will be received on Friday, January 24, 2025, 4:00 - 8:00 P.M., at the **JOBE FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY, INC. (MONROEVILLE/PLUM CHAPEL)**, 445 Beatty Road, Monroeville, (412-856-4747). A Mass of Christian Burial will be at St. Bernadette Church-Christ the Divine Shepherd Parish, Saturday, January 25, 2025, at 10:00 A.M. Interment will follow at Good Shepherd Cemetery in Monroeville. Please add or view tributes at <http://www.jobefuneralhome.com>. Memorial contributions may be made to the Ladies of Charity at St. Bernadette Church-Christ the Divine Shepherd Parish, 245 Azalea Drive, Monroeville, PA, 15146.

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