



Jula Zegarac

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Jula Zegarac, age 96 finally reunited with her deeply loved late husband, Ilija, cherished mother of Mary Ann Skaljac (Daniel), beloved grandmother of Gregory Skaljac (Stella) and Melissa Zetts (Sean), great grandmother Baba of Eli, Luke, Steven, Alexa and Danielle, sister of deceased Mican, Anka, Bozidar, and Milica.

Jula was born in 1924 in Skare, Yugoslavija to Sava and Kata Pavicic. She was the fourth of five children. Due to WWII, she fled her home and country at the age of 20. She lived for years in displaced persons refugee camps in Italy and Germany. While in the camp in Germany, she married Ilija Zegarac in 1948, and gave birth there to their daughter Mary Ann in 1949. With the sponsorship help of her uncle in the US, she and her family immigrated in 1951 to the US with but two suitcases in hand following an arduous 13 day trans-Atlantic ship journey to NY. Eventually, Jula and her family settled in Cleveland, and in 1956 they became proud naturalized citizens of the US. Long hours of hard work, sacrifice and perseverance enabled Jula to achieve the American dream of home ownership, business success and a loving extended family. She found strength and support from the American people, her family and the Serbian Orthodox church community, where she was one of the oldest and longest living members of the Circle of Serbian Sisters Svetka Petka at St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Cathedral in Parma, OH. After experiencing the heartaches and horrors of war, Jula yearned for a better life, and found it in America. Jula will be remembered fondly by her family and friends for her tender heart, generous spirit, honesty and love of all people. Baba Jula's sarmas, palachinkas, and butter cookies were the best! We will miss you Baba and your memory will be eternal.

Special thanks to neighbors Dr. Felix and Pilar, and Protinicas Lindsey and Rosanda for their caregiving support. Contributions in Jula's memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or the Hospice of the Western Reserve. Interment St. Theodosius Cemetery.



Events

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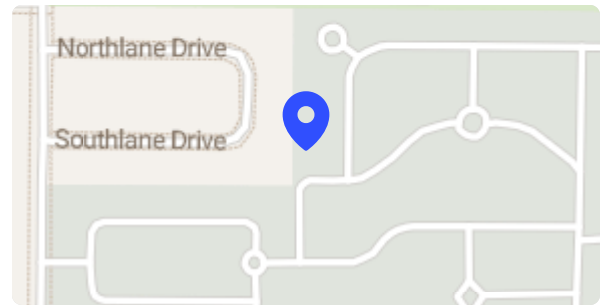
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Cemetery Details



St. Theodosius Cemetery

8200 Biddulph Road, Cleveland OH 44144





Tribute Wall

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Kirsten Krivoshia posted:

Jula (our "Julia") was such a sweet addition to our family's visits at Serbian Christmas, always smiling, ALWAYS laughing, big squeezes for my mom - her "Rosa"- especially, & just an ever-pleasant soul. God, we loved her palachinki! We will miss her sweet spirit, but we know she's with so many of her loved ones, including my dad & mom, who passed before her. Mary Ann, she was blessed to have you as a wonderful daughter caring for her...& Danny, family as well... til the end of her 96 years. Love you all...

October 15 at 10:10 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Zegarac family.



October 15 at 5:10 AM



Lollie And Dave Stager posted:

Our sincere sympathy to all the family ,and especially to you, Mary Ann, in the loss of your mother. It is a beautiful blessing to have a mother for so many years and I am sure that you were her special treasure. Our thoughts and prayers at this sad time.Dave and Lollie Stager (at the far end of the Oval)

September 24 at 4:28 AM



Joan And David Deuch posted:

Our deepest sympathy to MaryAnn and Dan and family.Julia was a sweet and kind true lady. She was fortunate to have the best daughter ever, MaryAnn, who was so dedicated to her care for so many years. Rest In Peace Julia.Joan and David Deuch Hillbrook neighbors

September 23 at 6:10 AM



Beth Meerdink posted:

Because the Skaljac's have always been about family, my earliest memories of them always included Mary Ann's mom. Usually stationed in the kitchen organizing the cooking and baking but in the middle of the festivities and fun. If all mother-daughter teams were like theirs, the world would be a more beautiful place. RIP with your loved ones, you have earned it. Your legacy lives on....

September 22 at 12:45 PM



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Luz Kofol lit a candle in honor of Jula.

Mary Ann and family: Please accept my deepest sympathy for the lost of your mother, Jula. She is resting in peace. Luz Kofol Hillbrook Oval.

September 22 at 6:31 AM



Anonymous sent a Magnificent Life Spray to the Zegarac family.

September 22 at 5:42 AM



Anonymous sent a Heavenly Grace Spray to the Zegarac family.

September 22 at 5:36 AM



Bob Jakovich posted:

There are so many fond memories of the time shared by our families. Her warm smile always welcomed me, a tender hug and loving kiss soon followed. I can never forget her and Sure-Sure sitting on the patio and laughing at us as we played in the pool. Mary Ann and family please take comfort in knowing she is now in a much better place and that hers was a Life Well Lived! Memory Eternal Bobby and Joan

September 22 at 5:20 AM



Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Zegarac family.

September 22 at 5:15 AM



Anonymous sent a Magnificent Life Spray to the Zegarac family.

September 22 at 3:45 AM





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Jean Dostal posted:

My friend Julia always called me "young lady."Jean

September 21 at 2:52 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Jula by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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