



Gloria Rozga

December 16, 2020

(nee Rakowski) Born to Eternal Life December 16, 2020 at the age of 96 years. Beloved wife of 71 years of the late Thomas P. Rozga. Loving mother of Susan (Mike) Barrett, Thomas (Bunny), Melissa Kay (Steve) Rabe, Mary Ellen, Ann Elise (Allan) Kryszak and John (Jackie). Cherished grandmother of Tim, Sara (Brian), Matthew, Nicole (Rick), Neal (Kensy), Jessie (Matt), Amy, Steven (Lindsey), Kyle (Rachel), Adam (Kristin), Jason (Michelle), Leanna (TJ), Courtney (Shawn), Jordan (Chris), Trevor (Raquel), Jenna (Dea) and Jonathan. Dearest great-grandmother of McKenna, Jack, Mark, Mason, Chase, Grant, Cole, Braden, Abby, Lexie, Carter, Rylee, Riley Jo, Logan, Parker, Cayli, Troy, Morgan, Martin, Nehemiah, Petra and Halle and the great-great-grandmother of Jayce. Dear friend of Mary "Berry" Determan. Sister-in-law of Lois Rozga. Best friend of Terry Repetti. Preceded in death by her parents Frank and Pearl Rakowski, her brother Harvey and sister Arlene. Further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Gloria was a member of Christian Women at the Basilica, founding member of the St. Josaphat Home & School, Former member of the St. Josaphat Choir, Noel Society, American Legion Ladies Aux., Distinguished Flying Cross Aux., Milwaukee Society and Life Member of PLAV Ladies Aux. In lieu of flowers memorials to the St. Josaphat Basilica Foundation would be appreciated.

Visitation Sunday, December 20 from 3:00 – 6:00 PM at the Rozga – Lincoln

Village Chapel (703 W. Lincoln Ave, Milwaukee 53215). Mass of Christian Burial to be celebrated Monday, December 21 at 11:30 AM at the BASILICA OF ST. JOSAPHAT (601 W. Lincoln Ave., Milwaukee 53215). Private interment St. Adalbert Cemetery.

Due to the current limitations with Covid we understand that many of you who wish to attend her funeral will be unable to, and we want you to know that we appreciate your thoughts and prayers from afar. We encourage you to leave messages for the family on Gloria's tribute page on the Funeral Home website and you will also be able to view her Mass which will be available on her tribute page by 3:00 PM Monday.

Cemetery Details

St. Adalbert Cemetery

3801 S. 6th Street
Milwaukee, WI 53221

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 20. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Rozga Funeral & Cremation Services - Lincoln Village Chapel
703 W Lincoln Ave
Milwaukee, WI 53215
(414) 671-5200
<https://www.rozgafuneral.com/>

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 21. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Basilica of St. Josaphat
601 W. Lincoln Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53215

Tribute Wall

PP

“ Dear John, Jackie, and Children, So sorry for your loss of your Mother/Grandmother.
Paula Plasky

Paula M Plasky - December 28, 2020 at 04:31 PM

SG

“ Dear Ann Elise,
My deepest sympathy for the loss of your mother. My prayers are with you and your family . Sheree Gross

Sheree Gross - December 22, 2020 at 05:34 AM

PC

“ Dear Rozga Family,
Gloria shares space with the Angels and leaves each of you with special memories as members of her family. John and Trevor, I know you best. I am confident that your mother/grandmother took great care to raise all of her family with the kindness I see in you. My thoughts and prayers are with you as you gather to celebrate dear Gloria's life on earth and in heaven. God bless all of you in the days ahead.
Patricia Crerar
St. Josaphat

Patricia Crerar - December 21, 2020 at 06:18 PM

NG

“ My deepest condolences to the entire Rozga family.one of the sweetest ladies to walk this earth.
Nancy galaszewski

nancy galaszewski - December 21, 2020 at 05:01 PM

CC

“ *My Deepest Sympathy to the Rozga family. I was blessed to have known her. I remember all the good times we had with the Sons of Neptune. She was a treasure. Peace be with you all. Cathy Cebertowicz*

Cathy Cebertowicz - December 21, 2020 at 04:17 PM

DI

“ *CONDOLENCES & 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏 TO THE ROZGA FAMILY. FROM DUANE INGRAM AND FAMILY*

Duane Ingram - December 21, 2020 at 11:36 AM

BR

“ *In God's crayon box... Aunt Gloria was a color known only to God. This unique woman was remembered well in my youth, as she often visited my mother, Trudy, before her death. Aunt Gloria had an infectious smile and was always quick with a laugh or just a "wink" when needed. She LOVED her family and was very proud of each of them. We will miss her as well as today's service. :(COVID may hold many of us back... only for now. Gloria's legacy will continue on in her friends and family. God's peace, Aunt Gloria!*

Love Bill & Gail Rozga

Bill Rozga - December 21, 2020 at 09:41 AM

JJ

“ My time with Gloria goes back to 1987-89 when I was with the Franciscans and stationed as Brother Jim at the Basilica. I was the moderator of the Christian Women’s Guild and had an absolute hoot with the ladies, Gloria among them. We’d go play cards at +Jeannie Weber’s house after a meeting, and always had fun times. I even had the privilege of joining the Noel Society for some holiday fun! But most of my time with Gloria was spent on getting a sign for the Basilica at the corner of 6th and Lincoln. The Christian Women were the initial sponsors of the project, and Gloria was my partner in crime to get it done. What began as a simple signage project turned into an architectural challenge. Because of the Basilica’s landmark status, we had to go before the Historic Preservation Commission for permission to erect the sign. What was going to be a \$2,000 to \$3,000 project, ended up being more like a \$10,000-\$12,000 project! But, it was well worth all the efforts. The original design, now digitized, still stands at the corner of 6th and Lincoln. So, the next time you see that sign, think of the woman who made it happen....our dear Gloria.

I also traveled for my second time to Las Vegas with +Tom and +Gloria and 5 others: +Stanley & +Martha Marczewski, +Anita Czajka, +Jeannie Weber, Fr. Jim Ciaramitaro and Sr. Kathy Tomaszewski: we were two couples, two widows, a priest, a brother and a sister. Sounds like the beginning of a joke, but what a great time we had. Now that I’m a permanent resident and priest of the Diocese of Las Vegas, I remember my vacationing days with +Tom & +Gloria well.

Any time with +Gloria was time well spent. She was a class act, the real deal. A good friend. I will miss her dearly, but know she will care for us in a different way, and put in a good word for us as well. I’m sad I can’t be there for the funeral but will be united with you as you give this precious gift back to the Lord.

Peace always,

Fr. Jim Jankowski
Pastor
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Roman Catholic Church
Las Vegas, NV



James Michael Jankowski - December 21, 2020 at 05:55 AM

PK

“ *Dear John, Trevor and the Rozga Family.*
I'm sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Your mother and father had a wonderful life together and now it continues in heaven. Raising her family and being the wife of a funeral director isn't an easy task.
Knowing you, your son and Mr. Rozga it appears that she did an excellent job.
God bless your family and the blessed memory of Mrs. Rozga.
Sincerely,
Pat Koszuta

Pat Koszuta - December 20, 2020 at 07:45 PM

LJ

“ *Dear John and Family,*
Sorry for the loss of your Mother. Our prayers are with you and your family at this most difficult time. Please accept our sincere condolences.
Leonard & Cindy Jahnz

Leonard & Cindy Jahnz - December 20, 2020 at 06:11 PM

PS

“ Dear Susie, Tommy, Missy, Mary Ellen, Ann Elise and Johnny, Thinking back at all the wonderful times I spent at your house so many years ago, I remember how your mom allowed me to be one of your family. I think she knew since I was an only child I needed some brothers and sisters! I, too, remember the platters of PBJ sandwiches and the numerous pitchers of Kool-Aid. Wishing you peace and strength during these times. Your mom and your family are in my thoughts.

Pam (Moderski) Stiglitz

Pamela Ann STiglitz - December 20, 2020 at 04:13 PM

GM

“ To the Rozga Family our deepest sympathy from the Maciejewski's

Greg&Nancy Maciejewski - December 20, 2020 at 04:02 PM

DS

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire Rozga family. Our families have alot of fond memories that will forever remain in our hearts. May God Bless all of you during this difficult time. Love Danny, Arlene, Daniel jr. Debbie, Donna, and Don Sobczak.

Debbie Sobczak - December 20, 2020 at 01:59 PM

MP

“ Mrs. Rozga will be missed, it is true! Her smile and the sparkle in her eye are two of the things I will always remember about her and miss most of all! I know that she is in a much better place with Mr. Rozga who has been waiting patiently for her.

One of my favorite memories from a LONG TIME AGO was her one-of-a-kind peanut butter and jelly sandwiches --- oh my, I can taste them now! Having lunch with the Rozga kids was the BEST because we would have a mountain of peanut butter and jelly cut into quarters served with Kool-Aid.

I know it was my first experience with PBJ as well as a version of "all you can eat" if you're fast!!! SO MUCH FUN! When I went home (which was just next door), I told my Mom all about these wonderful PBJ sandwiches and asked if and when we could have them too!!!

marlene pechura - December 20, 2020 at 01:47 PM

GC

“ Dear John and Trevor,
May God's love surround you and all of your family during this difficult time. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Wishing you peace and comfort. Sincerely, Candi Graff

Graff, Candise - December 20, 2020 at 10:43 AM

JO

“ Gloria was a wonderful, classy lady. She loved her children more than anything and was proud of all of them. We enjoyed our card games with Gloria and Tom and have fond memories of them both. Just look at her picture and see that beautiful smile. She was one of a kind and will be missed by many. You are lucky she was with you this long. Warm hugs and love to you all. John and Cathy Orr

John and Cathy Orr - December 19, 2020 at 06:40 PM

MF

“ *Michael and Marylyn and family purchased the Heavenly and Harmony for the family of Gloria Rozga.*



Michael and Marylyn and family - December 19, 2020 at 05:27 PM



“ *To the family of Gloria when we think of her it will always see her smile and enjoy her kindness. As sad as it is leaving us before Christmas she will see Tom and the rest of the family and enjoy Christmas in Heaven with The Holy Family and God. Mike and Mary Novak*

Michael Novak - December 19, 2020 at 10:32 AM

PD

“ *Dear Rozga Family, Please accept my sincere condolence for the loss of your Mom, Grandmother, Great-Grandmother. The few times I met her were so pleasant as she was always very cheerful and loving. Being a close friend of her family members was enough for her to show her love. I pray that all the wonderful memories of her life will help you through this most difficult time of sadness and grief. My bet is that Mrs. Rozga would want smiles instead of tears and the real tragedy is that our current times prevent more of a celebration that she so truly deserves. May God Bless You Always.*

With Much Love, Paris

Paris Danielski - December 19, 2020 at 09:27 AM

BA

To the Rozga family: I'm so sorry for the loss of Mom, Grandma and Great Grandma. She was such a lovely woman. I enjoyed my times with her at Tom and Bunny's house at holidays. She was a classy woman with a sincere and loving heart. I will miss her. God bless you all. I wish you peace, love and healing through this difficult time.

Beth Ahorner - December 19, 2020 at 09:39 AM

SE

What an absolute hoot growing up down the street from the Rozga's! We played in the basement but had to be quiet when there was a funeral upstairs. Fond memories of playing, growing and learning with Missy, Mary Ellen, Ann Elise and John. I remember camping with Gloria and my mom and learning wood carving. Thank goodness Mrs Rozga remembered the band-aids for everyone! Good bless all of you at this time. Stay safe

Susan, Donna, Peter and Michael Banaszynski

Susan Ellwitz - December 20, 2020 at 03:42 PM

AM

“*Tom and family my prayers and thoughts are with you and all your family for the loss of your mom,grandmother,great grandmother may she Rest In Peace with Tom sr. We were all blessed to know her and will remember all the good she brought to the world 🙏🙏*

Albert Mazola - December 18, 2020 at 05:44 PM