



Dragica Trikich-Spletzer

October 14, 1933 - March 17, 2023

Dragica Trikich-Spletzer, age 89, of Crown Point, formerly of Drvar, Bosna, passed away March 17, 2023. She was a member of the St. Sava Circle of Serbian Sisters where she took pride in preparing foods for celebrations, and the yearly Serb Fest. She remained active with the Sisters. Her story is that in 1968 she emigrated to the Region with her husband Nebojsa and their two children, where she found a very young Rade Petrovich and kept him close throughout her life. After the first year, Nebojsa passed at age 36. She continued to nurture her children in the Serbian community. When both her children were settled, she married Richard. They traveled, throughout the world and often visited Vegas. They were members of the Sportsmen Club, along with her brother Milan and Carolyn Tomich. Like her father Branko, she sponsored and arranged for family members and friends to emigrate and to visit the U.S.

Dragica was known for her philanthropy. Thru her efforts, she helped to raise funds for war effort and relief for Serbian soldiers. She was able to reopen a shoe factory to make boots for them. Dragica was instrumental in rebuilding the church in her birthplace and then the re-interment of her brother Dragan on those consecrated grounds. Even in her final weeks she continued to send money to Bosna, this time to a friend in need.

Dragica was preceded in death by Nebojsa Trikich; parents- Branko and Stefanija Tomich; sister- Dusanka and Danica; also Richard Spletzer.

She is survived by her son- Bogoljub, and daughter- Bozana; four

grandchildren and five great grandchildren, as well as many nieces and nephews.

The visitation will be held on Tuesday, March 21, 2023 from 9 a.m. until the time of the funeral service at 10 a.m. at St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Church, 9191 Mississippi Street, Merrillville, IN. She will be buried at Calumet Park Cemetery next to her husband and parents. Father Marko Matic officiating. Burns Funeral Home, Crown Point entrusted with arrangements. www.burnsfuneral.com

Cemetery Details

Calumet Park Cemetery

2305 W. 73rd Ave.
Merrillville, IN 46410

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 21. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St Sava Serbian Orthodox Church
9191 Mississippi St
Merrillville, IN 46410

funeral

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Tribute Wall



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Dragica Trikich-Spletzer*.



March 20, 2023 at 03:06 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray* was purchased for the family of *Dragica Trikich-Spletzer*.



March 20, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage* was purchased for the family of *Dragica Trikich-Spletzer*.



March 20, 2023 at 11:27 AM



“ *Enduring Grace* was purchased for the family of *Dragica Trikich-Spletzer*.



March 19, 2023 at 03:33 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Dragica Trikich-Spletzer.



March 19, 2023 at 11:56 AM