



Julie Ann Samarzija

June 21, 1937 - August 31, 2022

Julie Ann Samarzija, age 85, of Schererville, died peacefully surrounded by her loved ones on August 31, 2022. To know Julie was to love her. She always saw the best in people and truly loved everyone unconditionally. She touched many lives as an angel on earth. We were so blessed to have her on loan from Heaven for these too short 85 years.

Julie was born on June 21, 1937, in Gary, Indiana to Olga & Milan Mandich. She graduated from Merrillville High School and from St. Catherine's School of X-ray. She worked in the Radiology department for Methodist Hospital in Merrillville, IN for 25 years and ended her career as the Manager of Diagnostic Radiology at the Southlake Campus. She was a devout Catholic and volunteered for St. Vincent de Paul through her parish, Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Winfield, IN. Julie was preceded in death by her husband of 60 years, George; her parents, Olga & Milan, her step-father, Ray Harlow; brothers-in-law John (Martha) Samarzija, Jack (Marie) Samar, and her sister-in-law, Anne (Mike) Kepchar, and many loving nieces & nephews. She is survived by her daughters Nicole (Pete) Floody, Leigh (Ray) Sierra, her grandchildren: Jacob & Lizzie Floody, and Talia (Dylan) Bradley, Nick, & Alexandria Sierra. She is also survived by her loving brother, Peter Harlow and her sisters Mary Trefun, Joan (Dick) DeLor, Darlene Harlow, Sandy (Bill) Kelner, & Susan Haywood and by many loving nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and caregivers.

A visitation will be held on Friday, September 2, 2022, from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00

p.m. at Burns Funeral Home & Crematory, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. A visitation will take place on Saturday, September 3, 2022, from 9:30 a.m. until time of funeral at 10:00 a.m. directly at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 7667 E. 109th Avenue, Crown Point, IN. Rev. Thomas E. Mischler officiating. Interment Calumet Park Cemetery. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Vincent de Paul Society. www.burnsfuneral.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 2. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point
10101 Broadway
Crown Point, IN 46307
(219) 769-0044
info@burnsfuneral.com
<https://www.burnsfuneral.com/>

Prayer Service

SEP 2. 5:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

SEP 3. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Holy Spirit Catholic Church
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Mass of Christian Burial

SEP 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Frank, Lorraine, Jesse, Sherry, & Johnny purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Julie Ann Samarzija.



Frank, Lorraine, Jesse, Sherry, & Johnny - September 02, 2022 at 11:36 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Julie Ann Samarzija.



September 02, 2022 at 09:08 AM



“ HST, Coca-Cola NAOU purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Julie Ann Samarzija.



HST, Coca-Cola NAOU - September 02, 2022 at 08:52 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Julie Ann Samarzija.



September 02, 2022 at 08:20 AM

YH

“ Thank you Auntie Julie for your kindness ,beautiful spirit and your care. You are so loved. Peace be upon you and your family.

Yeshim Harlow - September 01, 2022 at 09:32 PM

LM

“ Lisa and Marianne purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Julie Ann Samarzija.



Lisa and Marianne - September 01, 2022 at 06:20 PM

LB

“ Julie was the brightest light I've ever encountered. She was and will always a special person. Clarendale was lucky to have her.



Larissa Banks - September 01, 2022 at 05:34 PM

SK

“ Sandra Kelner purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Julie Ann Samarzija.



Sandra Kelner - September 01, 2022 at 04:12 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Julie Ann Samarzija.*



September 01, 2022 at 03:53 PM



“ *Kuma Mary & Godsons Pete & Paul purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Julie Ann Samarzija.*



Kuma Mary & Godsons Pete & Paul - September 01, 2022 at 03:49 PM



“ *Susan Haywood purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Julie Ann Samarzija.*



Susan Haywood - September 01, 2022 at 03:10 PM



“ *Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of Julie Ann Samarzija.*



September 01, 2022 at 02:55 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Julie Ann Samarzija.*



September 01, 2022 at 02:38 PM