



Catherine Cicilia Progar

March 28, 1922 - April 10, 2020

Catherine Cicilia Progar (Yager), 98, of Sheffield (formerly of Hopewell Township), went to be with the Lord on April 10, 2020.

She was born in West Aliquippa, PA on March 28, 1922 to the late John Yager and Johanna

Zager. She was a member of Our Lady of Fatima Roman Catholic Church.

During World War

II, she worked as a crane operator at J & L Steel. She was also part of the pierogi crew at St.

Titus's Lenten fish fries.

She married her husband of 68 years, Ralph Progar, on August 29, 1942, at St. Joseph's Church

in West Aliquippa. Together, they enjoyed gardening, fishing, and dancing the polka.

In addition to her parents and husband, she is preceded in death by her brothers, John, Louis,

Frank, Stanley, Phillip, and Edward, and by her sister, Jean Haber.

Catherine is survived by her two sons, Ralph and wife Sherri Progar, Venice, Florida. And David

and wife Patti Progar, Sheffield, PA, with whom she spent the last eight months of her life. She

is also survived by her grandchildren, Susan Progar, Monaca, Sarah Connolly,

Sheffield, Julie

(and Ryan) Wilson, Warren, and Kevin Progar, Pittsburgh. Catherine also had nine great-

grandchildren, Catherine and Jacob Hitt, and Anthony Barr; Braxton, Madison, and Kaelon

Connolly; and Grayce, Reed, and Cael Wilson. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews,

and great nieces and nephews.

There was a private family viewing at Anthony Mastrofrancesco Funeral Home on Thursday,

April 16 th , with burial at Sylvania Hills Memorial Park in Rochester. The family will be planning

a celebration of Catherine's life at a later date.

Memorial donations can be made to St. Jude's Children Hospital.

The Progar family would like to extend a special thank you to Kari Progar and Beatrice Kuehner.

Cemetery Details

Sylvania Hills

Tribute Wall

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“ *My husband and I would like to express our condolences to your family on the passing of your mother and grandmother. I also wanted to ask if anyone remembers any members of my mother's family because my maternal grandmother's maiden name was Zager. Her brother, John Zager lived in Sheffield, PA after emigrating from Slovenia (the former Yugoslavia). My grandmother and her husband, John Yonkovich lived in West Aliquippa for a few years, then moved to Center Township. They were both born in Yugoslavia.*

Since Progar is also a Slovenian name, I had to ask.

Forgive me for bothering you with these questions at a sensitive time of your life.

Best wishes and sincere sympathy,

*Fran Colafella
Center Township*

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