



Genal Mary (nee Bashaw) Kopetsky

April 23, 1941 - January 26, 2020

Genal Mary Kopetsky (nee Bashaw),

Entered this world April 23, 1941, the oldest child of the late Genevieve and Alvin Bashaw, in Two Rivers, Wisconsin. It was her upbringing with her three younger brothers, Milton, Duane and Peter, that Genal learned and developed her lifelong dedication of service to the church. While friends and family grieved her passing January 26, 2020, all who knew her well also rejoice in her ultimate victory in Christ.

At a 4H dance, when she was 19 years old, Genal met, and fell in love with the love of her life, Marvin Kopetsky. Genal and Marvin were married nearly 59 years and were blessed with four sons, and twin daughters whom they sadly lost shortly after birth. Their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren were the happiness of her life. Those left behind include her loving husband, Marvin; sons, John (Donna) Kopetsky, Mark (Marya) Kopetsky and Lee Kopetsky, all of Indianapolis, and Brett (Emily) Kopetsky of Arlington Heights, Illinois. Genal dearly loved her grandchildren, Victoria, Benjamin, Emily Grace and Joel; and her three great-grandchildren, Rylee, Logan and Connor.

After raising her family, Genal worked in banking and finance. She enjoyed spending her spare time with her family, dedicating countless hours of service at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton church in Carmel, Indiana, and working in her flower gardens. During her time with us, she served as a Boy Scout den mother and CCD teacher, made rosaries for our military personnel, and

served as Lay Eucharistic Minister at her church, where she and Marvin were founding members.

As a 32 year breast cancer survivor, Genal exceeded all survival statistics, and was never unthankful to be counted as a pioneering long-term champion of beating the disease. In her final diary notes, Genal recorded her heartfelt thanks to all who supported her “with your prayers and words of encouragement.” Her family joins her in thanking all who prayed for her and her family, and for the caring staff of Westminster Village North and Paradigm Health.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Friday, January 31, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, 10655 Haverstick Road, Carmel, with visitation there from 9:00 a.m. until the time of Mass.

In lieu of flowers, Genal would have been pleased to have contributions be made to St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish and/or Little Sisters of the Poor. Final care and arrangements are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel.

Cemetery Details

Our Lady of Peace Cemetery

9001 Haverstick Road
Indianapolis, IN 46240

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 31. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

ST. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church
10655 Haverstick Road
Carmel, IN 46033

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Shirley Brothers Mortuaries & Crematory - January 31, 2020 at 09:40 AM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Genal Mary (nee Bashaw) Kopetsky.



January 28, 2020 at 11:24 AM



“ *I know that this is a terrible time for your family. I am praying for your family and asking God to bring you peace.*

tyoungs@yahoo.com - January 27, 2020 at 09:51 PM



“ *Very, very sorry for your loss! Blessed to have known this sweet lady!* 🙏🙏🙏

Chris, Lori, Thomas, and Nicholas Barham

Chris Barham - January 27, 2020 at 06:41 PM

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“ Aunt Genal was my Godmother. She and Uncle Marvin always remembered my birthday and never missed a year sending me a card. And that’s a lot of years! I wish I could be there Friday to celebrate her life. I will hold her in my heart and continue to think of her often. May she Rest In Peace. Hugs to you Uncle Marvin, and the rest of the family ❤️🙏
Linda (Kopetsky) Nies, Green Bay, WI

Linda (Kopetsky) Nies - January 27, 2020 at 06:03 PM

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“ My favorite memory is when she had me and Linda come stay with them in Sheboygan she took us to the mall it was the first time I saw and was on an escalator we had a great time

Cheryl Barwick - January 27, 2020 at 04:17 PM