



Ethel S. Gargiulo

December 5, 1925 - October 16, 2022

Ethel S. Gargiulo, 96, of Manville, passed away on Sunday, October 16, 2022. Ethel was born in Louisville, KY to the late Frank and Ethel (Welker) Schindler. She attended St. Francis of Assisi parochial school and graduated from the Ursuline Academy of the Immaculate Conception in 1943.

After graduation, she worked in the finance department of “Ma Bell,” the predecessor to AT&T. In 1946, while attending a USO dance at Ft Knox, KY she caught the eye of a young soldier (Ralph) who was being deployed to Yokohama, Japan. They conversed during his deployment; and upon returning to the U.S. in 1947 he moved from Jersey City to Louisville, Kentucky and they were married later that year. With better job prospects in New Jersey, Ralph and Ethel moved back to Jersey City. He subsequently landed a position with the former Johns-Manville Corporation, and they moved to Manville in 1950.

Ethel started out as a volunteer at the Manville Public Library. She subsequently became a full-time clerk, working her way to become an Assistant Librarian and Acting Director over a 30-year period, from 1962 – 1992. During those years at the library, Ethel was instrumental in bringing computers with internet access, videos, and DVDs to complement the ever-growing array of books, newspapers, and periodicals. She took great pleasure in helping students and adults find the information they needed to complete their assignments and in just being exposed to what books have to offer. Ethel was a member, Vice President, and President of the Manville Public

Library Board of Trustees from 2001 to 2009. She was also instrumental in working on the Manville Beautification Committee to beautify the borough Main Street and the Van Veghten Bridge with period lighting and trees. Throughout the years, she enjoyed reading, volunteering, teaching, traveling in the U.S. and abroad, and her twice daily calls with her longtime friend Dolores, who she called the sister that she never had. Ethel will be forever in our hearts.

Ethel is survived by her son Stephen, his wife Kathleen of Bridgewater, NJ and her son Ray, his wife Maureen of Frisco, TX.

Visitation is on Monday, October 24, 2022, from 3pm-7pm at Ketusky Funeral Home, 1310 Brooks Boulevard, Manville, NJ.

The Funeral will be held on Tuesday, October 25, 2022, 8am from the Ketusky Funeral Home followed by a 9am Mass at Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church (Christ the Redeemer Parish), 98 South 2nd Ave., Manville, NJ. Entombment to follow at St. Bernard's Cemetery Mausoleum, 551 NJ 28, Bridgewater Township, NJ. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in her name, may be sent to St. Anthony's Wayside Shrine, 9531 Akron-Canfield Road, P.O. Box 595, Canfield, OH. 44406-0595.

Cemetery Details

St. Bernard Cemetery

551 State Route 28
Bridgewater, NJ 08807

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **24**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Ketusky Funeral Home
1310 Brooks Blvd - PO Box 747
Manville, NJ 08835
(908) 575-8512
info@ketusky.com
<https://www.ketusky.com>

Mass

OCT **25**. 9:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church
98 South Second Ave.
Manville, NJ 08835

Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Ethel S. Gargiulo.* ”



October 24, 2022 at 10:48 AM



“ *Ethel was a wonderful and kind person. Rest in peace.* ”



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“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ethel S. Gargiulo.* ”



October 21, 2022 at 09:53 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ethel S. Gargiulo.* ”



October 20, 2022 at 12:07 PM

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“ *Our heartfelt condolences to the Gargiulo family.*

*Bill and Paula Petrone
Medford, NJ*

William Petrone - October 20, 2022 at 10:48 AM