



## Maria Smieszek

January 19, 1930 - March 30, 2026

Maria Smieszek, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend, passed away peacefully on Monday March 30, 2026. Maria was born on January 19, 1930 to Zofia and Stefan Stolarz in the small village of Podborze, Poland.

After graduating school she started her career as a bookkeeper/teller in the regional bank of Poland. During her working career she met her husband Zbigniew, got married and raised three daughters Teresa, Malgorzata, and Elzbieta. After her regular work hours she worked the land, raising chickens, cows, pigs, ducks, rabbits and goose. She also loved gardening growing many varieties of different vegetables and fruits. In her free time she also loved to crochet, making sweaters, hats, gloves and many other items for her kids and grandchildren.

Maria came to the United States and got her US Citizenship after her father Stefan who was born in the USA.

Maria is preceded by her loving parents Zofia and Stefan, her husband of 50 years Zbigniew, her sister Janina Brozyna and her grandson Piotr Smieszek and son-in-law Zygmunt. She is survived by her three daughters and sons-in-law Bogdan and Stanislaw, her six grandchildren Edyta, Dawid and wife Justyna, Joanna and husband Jaroslaw, Jeffrey, Marcin, Michal and wife Dorota and seven great-grandchildren Gabriel, Julia, Amelia, Anya, Marcel, Emil, Krystian, Alexander and Mila.

Maria's memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved her. Her

strength, compassion, and joyful spirit touched many, and her legacy will continue through the generations she helped raise and inspire.

The visitation will be on Wednesday, April 1, 2026 from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM at the Ketusky Funeral Home, 1310 Brooks Blvd., Manville, NJ 08835. The Funeral will begin at 11:30 AM at the Ketusky Funeral Home and will be followed by a 12:00 PM Mass at Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church (Christ The Redeemer Parish in Manville, NJ. Burial will follow at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Hillsborough, NJ.

# Cemetery Details

## Sacred Heart Cemetery

1096 Millstone River Road  
Hillsborough, NJ

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 1. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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

## Mass

APR 1. 12:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Grzeczkwicz Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Maria Smieszek.*



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**Grzeczkwicz Family** - March 31 at 10:54 AM

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“ *Andrzej Brozyna and Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Maria Smieszek.*



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**Andrzej Brozyna and Family** - March 31 at 10:12 AM

MC

“ *Maria Mikiewicz&M. Chwiedosiuk&Family purchased the In Heaven's Arms Bouquet for the family of Maria Smieszek.*



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**Maria Mikiewicz&M. Chwiedosiuk&Family** - March 31 at 09:14 AM

MC

“ *Maria Mikiewicz&M. Chwiedosiuk&Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Maria Smieszek.*

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**Maria Mikiewicz&M. Chwiedosiuk&Family** - March 31 at 09:14 AM



“ *In Heaven's Arms Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Maria Smieszek.



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March 31 at 08:17 AM