



## Pearl R. Spano

July 20, 1921 - January 18, 2026

Pearl Spano, age 104, of Spring Lake Park, died January 18, 2026 in Coon Rapids. She was born July 20, 1921 to Ashley and Viola Niles. Pearl married George Spano on June 26, 1943 and they had 3 children, Rick, Yvonne and Donald. Pearl loved to travel and frequently did so into her 80's. She was a prolific porcelain painter who won awards including a Lady Slipper award. She also knitted, did needlepoint and was involved in organizations including the Archdiocesan Catholic Women, ICC Rosary Society, MN Porcelain Painters and served as President of her townhome association. Pearl enjoyed participating in the VFW and Italian American Club. Survivors include daughter Yvonne (Don) Carlton and son Donald (Cindy) Spano; 10 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. Preceded in death by parents; sisters Ila and Grace; husband George, son Rick, daughter-in-law Bev and granddaughter Jenny.

# Cemetery Details

## Sunset Memorial Park (Minneapolis)

2250 Saint Anthony Boulevard  
Minneapolis, MN 55418

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 23. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
4030 Jackson Street Northeast  
Columbia Heights, MN 55421

## Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 23. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

LG

“ I know Pearl from our Church, but also know Don her son. Don I will say to you that my heart ❤️ is with you in the loss of your dear mother. She was a very endearing person and very talented in her painting of China, and her other creative projects. I have such good memories of our Graduation Class of 1969, at Columbia Heights High School, and all the fun times as classmates we had. The school dances, Homecoming Banquet, The Junior Prom, and Art Club, and the classes and fun teachers. Gosh, so many good memories and friends. You got to know my mother and sister and there are lots of good memories from those years of Highschool days too. The class reunions have always been a charm, and you know so many of the same people as I. Life has gone by fast in ways yet we have all managed to be at the Reunions and have such good times. Your mother Pearl was such a dear person, and some of the best times and talks we had were at The wonderful Retreat Center in Buffalo, MN that were once a year for those of us in Pastoral Care Ministry, called Christ The King Retreat Center. I am sorry I cannot be at the Funeral on the 23rd, although it is my church I attend and grew up in as you did also. My heart is with you and your family. You have a treasure of memories to your heart ❤️ of your mother. You can go to those memories whenever you want to as a blessing. May She rest in Great Peace and be blessed in knowing you will see her again one day in that Eternal Resting place called Heaven. My prayers are with you and your family, ongoing in the entire coming year. I hope all is well with you. Gods Blessings on you and your family regarding the loss of your precious 💕 Mother. You are blessed to have had her a wonderfully long time. Take care and I'm sure I will see you at our next reunion. My condolences, 💕 Love and care always. Your sincere friend and classmate from our Graduation Class of 1969, Larene Slonski, maiden name. Married name, Larene St Gabriel-Dargay. Peace and Kindness to you .

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**larene st. gabriel-dargay** - January 23 at 12:18 AM

SC

“ Symphony Senior Home Care purchased the Encanted Cottage for the family of Pearl R. Spano.



Symphony Senior Home Care - January 22 at 06:25 PM

MS

“ Mary S. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pearl R. Spano.

Mary S. - January 21 at 02:26 PM

JW

“ Jane W. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pearl R. Spano.

Jane W. - January 20 at 02:45 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Pearl R. Spano.



January 20 at 02:35 PM

FD

“ From all of the Dunhams planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Pearl R. Spano.

From all of the Dunhams - January 20 at 02:35 PM