



## Theresa Janine Joncas

December 27, 1928 - July 21, 2021

Joncas, Theresa Janine (Narog) passed on to her Heaven on July 21, 2021 at the age of 92. Preceded in death by daughter, Babette; parents Joseph and Rosalia; brother Frank and sisters Ann and Sr. Mary Faber. Survived by children and spouses, Fr Jan Michael, Jeanine (Roman), Kathy (Jerry), Patrice, Stacie, Joseph (Carole), Kim (Rob); grandchildren, Jacob, Brandon (Danielle), Courtney (Charlie), Jessica (Josh), Ryan (Becky), Lauren, Adam (Hannah), Christina (Jordan), Zachary (Annika), Spencer (Sophie), Ethan, Peter, Liz, Chelsea, Tyler (Brittany); great-grandchildren: Marlowe and Maxwell; sisters, Celia, Rosemary, Rita; many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. In her final days, Theresa said that she had a wonderful life. That life started as the youngest of seven children of Polish immigrants. It became apparent that she had a beautiful singing voice as a youngster and shared it with many audiences beginning in All Saints School and later at Edison and many private gatherings, including one at a DAR party. Singing remained something that she enjoyed into her final days. As she joined the work world, she was employed by "Ma Bell" with a side-gig at Bridgeman's, where she met the man who became her husband, Paul. Unlike today's employees, when she took her permanent job, she kept it for over 40 years. Her title was medical transcriptionist, but we all know that in her case, she typed autopsies. During that time, she certainly learned what could kill you. She also became the definition of a working mom. She had 8 children who grew up with the sound of a typewriter as background music. They all learned a love of the arts, mixed

with the practicality of working for a living, and the values of treating our fellow woman/mankind with compassion, kindness and respect. Theresa was a lifelong practicing Catholic who learned about live-streaming mass during the pandemic. Throughout her life, but primarily after the kids were out and on their own, she enjoyed traveling. That might mean a day trip to Lake Ida, or a tour to Ireland or Israel, and of course, Las Vegas. She grew particularly fond of cruising, and probably went on 15 cruises while she was in her 80's. We will be celebrating her life with a few events and would love for you to join us (feel free to wear a mask). Visitation 4-6 PM Friday, July 30th with vigil prayers at 5 PM at Washburn-McReavy Columbia Heights Chapel, 4101 Central Ave. NE and also one hour prior to the Mass at church. Funeral Mass 10AM Saturday, July 31st at Church of St. William, 6120 5th St NE, Fridley. This service will be live-streamed at

[stream.streamingchurch.tv/...](http://stream.streamingchurch.tv/...)

Graveside service to follow the Mass at St. Mary's Cemetery, 4403 Chicago Ave S., Mpls. with luncheon to follow. Memorials preferred to Our Lady of Peace Hospice and Home Care, 2076 St Anthony Ave., St. Paul, MN 55104  
Washburn-McReavy.com Columbia Hts Chapel 763-789-4436

# Cemetery Details

## St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery (Mpls)

4403 Chicago Avenue  
Minneapolis, MN 55407

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 30. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Columbia Heights Chapel  
4101 Central Avenue N.E.  
Columbia Heights, MN 55421  
(763) 789-4436  
[info@washburn-mcreavy.com](mailto:info@washburn-mcreavy.com)

## Visitation

JUL 31. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

The Church of St. William  
6120 5th Street NE  
Fridley, MN 55432

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 31. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

The Church of St. William  
6120 5th Street NE  
Fridley, MN 55432



# Tribute Wall



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Theresa Janine Joncas.* ”



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July 29, 2021 at 05:58 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Theresa Janine Joncas.* ”



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July 29, 2021 at 05:05 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Theresa Janine Joncas.* ”



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July 27, 2021 at 10:50 PM

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“ I send condolences to all the family and friends of Theresa Janine Joncas, but especially to Fr. Michael Joncas whom I know through various connections, and to his sister, Patrice, who played and led the singing for our youth Masses in "Nordeast" in the mid-70's. God's blessings of peace and good be on each of you who mourn the passing of this wonderful lady. Sincerely, Sister Fidelis Rubbo, OSF/Sylvania.

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**Sister Fidelis Rubbo** - July 27, 2021 at 02:33 PM



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July 26, 2021 at 08:51 PM