



Edna T. Miodonka

February 17, 1934 - September 15, 2020

Edna Therese (Kowal) Miodonka, 86, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, September 15, 2020, with her loving family by her side. Born February 17, 1934, daughter of the late Andrzej and Apolonia (Pietras) Kowal, she lived in Chicopee for many years before moving to Feeding Hills. Edna was a Pro Merito graduate of Chicopee High School, Class of 1951, when during those high school years, she showed an early talent in dress designing. She was a proud and faithful communicant of the Basilica of St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr, and compassionately served her parish as a member of the Rosary Society, and as a soprano in the choir. She also belonged to the Militia of the Immaculata of St. Maksymilian Kolbe. Her family sincerely extends heartfelt gratitude to the Franciscans for their prayers, the entire Ministry of Care, and her professional caregivers for their loving devotion to Edna's comfort and spiritual needs. Edna began her work career at Gurvich Lumber Co. of Chicopee, followed by many years of employment in the medical field. She worked at the former Springfield Hospital (now Baystate Medical Center) for the rest of her professional career, and retired from Baystate as a medical secretary, Department of Pediatric Neurology. Edna was known for her intelligence, and she was the epitome of elegance and grace. She was a pianist, avid reader, and sentimentalist at heart, enjoying Polish music and polka dancing. Edna and her husband, Joseph, enjoyed their travels to Canada, Poland, Italy, and especially their pilgrimage with the priests to the Holy Land. For eight years, the couple volunteered as foster parents to support and train guide dogs for the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation. "Wladzia", as she was called by her Polish relatives and friends, was an empathetic, devoted, faithful Wife, loving Mother, and beloved Babci. Promoting Polish traditions and true to her Catholic faith, Edna always remained a Pro-Life advocate. She actively engaged to disseminate the true meaning of Christ's Passion, to follow His Way of the Cross, to receive strength, consolation, and eternal life through prayers, Holy Sacraments, and her belief in the Holy Family, angels, and the saints. Edna is survived by her beloved and faithful husband of sixty-five years, Joseph A. Miodonka; four loving daughters, Marcia Leclerc and husband Michael, Regina Labounty, Francine Kumiega and husband James of Chicopee, and Kristen Debian and husband Dr. Badri of West Springfield; four cherished grandchildren, Mason, Sarah, Hannah and Laylah; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

She was predeceased in January, 2020, by her first-born daughter, Andrea Miodonka, and also predeceased by her son-in-law, Carl Labounty, and her siblings. Funeral services for Edna will be held Monday from Kozikowski Funeral Home, 565 Front St., Chicopee, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30AM in St. Stanislaus Basilica. Burial will follow in St. Stanislaus Cemetery. Calling hours are Monday from 8:30-10:15AM. Memorial contributions may be made to the Ministry of Care or the Elevator Fund of St. Stanislaus Basilica, 566 Front St., Chicopee, MA 01013.

Cemetery

St. Stanislaus Cemetery

800 Montgomery St.

Chicopee, MA, 01013

Events

SEP 21 **Visitation** 08:30AM - 10:15AM

Kozikowski Funeral Home

565 Front Street, Chicopee, MA, US, 01013

SEP 21 **Mass** 10:30AM

St. Stanislaus Basilica_

566 Front St., Chicopee, MA, US

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