



## Julia Filosa

February 27, 1920 - February 16, 2019

Julia Filosa, age 98 of Mattoon, IL peacefully passed away at 7:10 A.M., Saturday, February 16, 2019 at Mattoon Health Care Center.

A funeral mass in her honor will be celebrated on Friday, February 22, 2019 at 1:00 P.M. at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 320 N. 21st Street, Mattoon, IL 61938; Father John Titus will officiate. A graveside committal service will be held immediately thereafter at Calvary Cemetery in Mattoon, IL. A visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at the church. Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

Julia was born on February 27, 1920 in Brooklyn, NY to the late Michael and Jennie (Lopardo) Vanatta. She married Joseph Filosa on April 22, 1944 at Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Brooklyn, NY; he preceded her in death on May 29, 1988. Julie is survived by her loving daughter, Priscilla Florio of Mattoon, IL; two grandchildren, Lisa Weigle and husband Paul of Staten Island, NY, Matthew Florio and husband David of Seattle, WA; and three great-grandchildren, Danielle, Courtney and Vincent Weigle of Staten Island, NY. She is preceded in death by two brothers, Anthony and Frank Vanatta, and two sisters, Rosetta Prokop and Marian Puwalski.

Julia was a member of St. Thomas Catholic Church in Woodhaven, NY. She lived in Queens, NY until the passing of her husband Joe, and then moved to Mattoon, IL in 1995. She was a hospice and RSVP volunteer for many years. Julia was known for her great sense of humor and charming personality. She loved telling jokes and listening to Frank Sinatra's music. Julia and her family

attributed her long life due to her constant walking, rather than driving. She loved life and her family and missed all those who passed before her. Julia's family meant the world to her and she treasured the time she spent with them. Memorials in her honor may be made to Immaculate Conception Catholic Church.

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# Cemetery Details

## Calvary

Mattoon, IL 61938

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 22. 12:00 PM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
Mattoon, IL 61938

## Service

FEB 22. 1:00 PM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church  
Mattoon, IL 61938

# Tribute Wall



“ *Julia Filosa*

October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ *We all have had some good times with her!! , loved sharing her birthday!! so glad our paths have crossed!! Love you all!!!*

**Marsha Overton** - February 21, 2019 at 09:52 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Julia Filosa.*



February 18, 2019 at 04:04 PM



“ *Priscilla & family, your Mother Julia was a true gem. She could make people laugh with her jokes & good humor. She will always hold a special place in my heart. My sympathy & love to you all.*

**Sheila Hughes** - February 17, 2019 at 08:43 PM