



Irene Eleanor Santora

March 2, 1934 - August 6, 2022

Irene Eleanor Santora, age 88, of St. Augustine Florida, formerly of Woodbridge, New Jersey, passed away on August 6th, 2022 at her home in St. Augustine. Irene was born, grew up and lived much of her adult life in Woodbridge, before moving to Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida in the year 2000. She had been a resident of St. Augustine, Florida for the last two years of her life. She was a member of the Hungarian Reformed Church in Woodbridge, New Jersey as well as member of Palms Presbyterian Church in Jacksonville Beach, Florida and of the PTA at the schools her three children attended.

As a teenager, Irene met the love of her life, Joseph Santora, at the State Movie Theater in Woodbridge, New Jersey. Joseph caught Irene's attention by pulling her on her pony tails and later he walked her home. What began as a chance meeting, turned into 72 years of marriage and a beautiful family.

Irene was a devout Protestant and had courage in her convictions. She was conservative, graceful, humble and kind. She enjoyed cooking for her family, and was quite talented- everyone wanted her recipes. She also loved knitting, soaking in the beautiful environment she lived in, and spending time with her grand children and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Mary (Pinter) Zelenak, her daughter, Debra Travostino, her brothers, Joseph Zelenak and

John Zelenak, and her sister, Mary Brarens. She is survived by her husband, Joseph Frank Santora, Sr.; two sons, Joseph Frank Santora Jr. and Christopher Santora, both of St. Augustine, six grandchildren, and five great grandchildren.

A private service will be held by her immediate family members at Cloverleaf Cemetery in Woodbridge, New Jersey.

St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements

Cemetery Details

Clover Leaf Memorial Park

US-1 & Rt 35
Woodbridge, FL 07095

Events

Details are pending.