



Catherine G. Katiba

April 25, 1940 - January 23, 2026

Catherine G. Katiba (nee Celik), 85, of Lorain, passed away peacefully with her daughters by her side on Friday January 23, 2026 at O'Neill Healthcare in North Ridgeville.

She was born April 25, 1940 in Lorain to Peter & Agnes Celik (nee Hadalin) and had been a lifelong Lorain area resident.

Cathy worked as a cook at Amherst High School before retiring. She was a member of Nativity BVM Catholic Church in Lorain where she served as a Eucharistic Minister and volunteered regularly to help make pierogi for church fundraisers.

Cathy enjoyed her trips with her family to Windsor, Canada and dinner at Spagos Restaurant. She was always sassy with her grandchildren playing scrabble and card games. She was proud of her Slovenian heritage and sharing her baking traditions and skills with her daughters. She enjoyed her flower gardens, especially her roses.

She is survived by her daughters: Debbie Albrecht (Bob), Mary Jo Mathewson (Craig) and Pat Murray (John); daughter-in-law Rebecca Katiba; grandchildren: Joe Mathewson, Chris Murray (Rachael), Jeff Albrecht (Krissy), Sarah Mathewson, Tana Coleman (Justin), Nick Albrecht (Emily), Jennifer

Albrecht, Jack Katiba and Harry Katiba; great grandchildren Amelia Murray and Vera Albrecht and sister Pat Beetler (Bob) and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 52 years Jerry Katiba in 2012, son Dan Katiba in 2023, parents Peter & Agnes Celik (nee Hadalin), brother Peter Celik and sister Aggie Serazin.

The family will receive friends Friday January 30, 2026 from 4:00-7:00 pm at the Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel, 3224 Broadway, Lorain. Funeral services will be held Saturday January 31, 2026 at 9:30 am in the funeral chapel followed by the mass of Christian Burial at 10::00 am at Nativity BVM Catholic Church, 418 W 15th St, Lorain. The Rev. Craig Hovanec, pastor, will preside. Burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery in Lorain.

Memorial contributions can be made to either Friendship Animal Protective League or Lorain County Metroparks Lakeview Park Rose Garden.

Cemetery Details

Calvary Cemetery

555 N Ridge Rd
Lorain, OH 44053
<https://clecem.org/Cemeteries/CalvaryLorain.aspx>

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 30. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel
3224 Broadway
Lorain, OH 44055
(440) 246-2118
gluvnashimohromada@gmail.com
<http://www.gluvnashimohromada.com>

Funeral Service

JAN 31. 9:30 AM - 9:45 AM (ET)

Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel
3224 Broadway
Lorain, OH 44055
(440) 246-2118
gluvnashimohromada@gmail.com
<http://www.gluvnashimohromada.com>

Funeral Mass

JAN 31. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church
418 W 15th St
Lorain, OH 44052
<https://nativitybvmlorain.org>

Tribute Wall

BM

“ *The world truly miss your laughter and witty charm ! So nice to have known such an amazing lady. You've left so many words of wisdom and smiles we can always remember you by. An angel on earth and now you have your wings. Peace always.*

Bob Murray - January 30 at 04:02 PM

CS

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Sorry I couldn't make it to the funeral I'm not feeling well. Wish I could be there. I will always remember her for her smile and laughter. 🙏 Love Alice Kish*

Christine Sklarek - January 30 at 03:58 PM

TD

“ *The Avon Hospital PA Department purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Catherine G. Katiba.*



The Avon Hospital PA Department - January 29 at 10:18 PM

JZ

“ *Joe & Fran Zellers purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Catherine G. Katiba.*



Joe & Fran Zellers - January 29 at 03:17 PM

JZ

“ Joe & Fran Zellers planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Catherine G. Katiba.

Joe & Fran Zellers - January 29 at 03:17 PM

MK

“ Dear Family
I am Monica Turton Klocek, sister-in-law of Pete Celik and sister of Bernadine Celik. Most of you don't remember me because I have not been in touch with you for many years. I want you all to know what wonderful memories I have of the Celik family while I was growing up. Cathy, Pat and I were fairly close in age when Bernie and Pete were first married. We had sleep-overs, bike rides, going to movies and even trips to the roll-arena. When Cathy got her Pontiac car, we “buzzed the ave” and went to the Hoop Drive-in. I was a bridesmaid in her wedding. These memories are so special to me! I offer my deepest condolences to all of you.
Sincerely,
Monica

Monica Turton Klocek - January 28 at 06:50 PM

WF

“ With Love - Your Avon Surgery Family purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Catherine G. Katiba.



With Love - Your Avon Surgery Family - January 28 at 02:20 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Catherine G. Katiba.*



January 28 at 01:46 PM



“ *Your Fairview Radiology Family purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Catherine G. Katiba.*



Your Fairview Radiology Family - January 28 at 08:31 AM



“ *Your Stryker Family- Dani and Jackie purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Catherine G. Katiba.*



Your Stryker Family- Dani and Jackie - January 27 at 02:05 PM



“ *Jim & Doris Leone planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Catherine G. Katiba.*

Jim & Doris Leone - January 27 at 10:39 AM



“ *Fairest of All* was purchased for the family of Catherine G. Katiba.



January 27 at 10:39 AM