



## Maria Nestinger

August 9, 1934 - July 8, 2023

Maria Nestinger (nee Feketitsch), 88, of Strongsville, and formerly of Lorain, died Saturday July 8, 2023 at Vitalia of Strongsville after a long illness.

She was born August 9, 1934 in Serbia to Heinrich & Elisabeth Feketitsch (nee Ehrmann). At the age of nine, she and her family became refugees during World War II and for two years had moved around to different communities until settling in Austria. Later, she had lived in Australia and London until moving to the United States eventually settling in Lorain where she had lived for almost 59 years.

Maria was a member of St Joseph Catholic Church in Strongsville and a past member of St Frances Cabrini Catholic Church in Lorain where she was a member of the church Altar & Rosary Society. She also volunteered regularly at the St Joseph Homeless Shelter.

Maria was a great cook and always offered guests at her home good food and drinks.

She is survived by her children: Peter Nestinger (Liz) of Columbus and Lisa Sheldon (Rick) of Valley City; grandchildren: Gabriel, Cameron, Aaron & Benjamin; sister Hilde Seili of Germany and close friends Christina Hardway (Mike). She was preceded in death by her husband Peter F. Nestinger in

2000, her parents and her sister Anna Schwager.

The family will receive friends Friday July 14, 2023 from 10:00 am until the time of the mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 am at St Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, 2143 Homewood Dr, Lorain. The Rev. Russell Rausher, Senior Parochial Vicar at St Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, will preside. Entombment will follow in the Resurrection Mausoleum at Calvary Cemetery in Lorain.

Memorial contributions can be made to either St Frances Cabrini Catholic Church or the American Cancer Society.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St Frances Cabrini Catholic Church  
2143 Homewood Dr  
Lorain, OH 44055  
<https://saintfrancesxcabrini.org/>

## Funeral Mass

JUL 14. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St Frances Cabrini Catholic Church  
2143 Homewood Dr  
Lorain, OH 44055  
<https://saintfrancesxcabrini.org/>

# Tribute Wall

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“ To Lisa, Sheldon, Cameron, & Family: My heart goes out to you & all Maria's loved ones today & throughout the weekend. Reading her obit was a source of inspiration & determination for me: This was a strong & generous woman whose faith was able to propel her through many adversities most of us never even imagine facing: growing up amid the terror of World War II in Serbia, then as a postwar refugee, & then as an immigrant to four separate countries on three different continents! Her passionate volunteerism, particularly among the homeless, was as much a personal witness to her profound belief in the power of new beginnings & to her personal resilience as it was to her devotion to the practice of Christian charity. May she rest in peace, & may her life continue to be an inspiration to your family.

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**Daniel Cavoli** - July 14, 2023 at 08:12 AM

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“ Michael S. purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Maria Nestinger.



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**Michael S.** - July 13, 2023 at 01:12 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Maria Nestinger.

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July 13, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Maria Nestinger.*



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July 13, 2023 at 12:09 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Maria Nestinger.*



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July 13, 2023 at 10:09 AM



“ *Kenny and I send our most sincere condolences to the family. Our memories we have with Maria will forever be in our hearts from the casino bus trips to bread baking to strudel making and all the way back to helping at St. Joseph's in Lorain food kitchen. We have shared many times together and Maria will be missed. Rest in peace Maria and I know you are also with your beloved Peter now. Love you....pat and Kenny*

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**Patricia Haponek** - July 12, 2023 at 10:15 PM



“ Prayers to the family during this time. Many memories with Maria at the various church functions. She always looked over my grandma who lived across the street from her. I know you both are enjoying crepes up in heaven!! Maria your smile will live on  
Nikki (Mucha) Foster

Nikki Foster - July 12, 2023 at 09:10 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Maria Nestinger.

July 12, 2023 at 03:57 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Maria Nestinger.



July 12, 2023 at 03:57 PM



“ I loved Maria. While my mom Maria Sieder was a resident at vitalia Maria was a good friend to her and also to me. She was a special lady. May she rest in peace. Sue Sieder

sue Sieder - July 12, 2023 at 03:43 PM

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“ *Maria was a wonderful lady, we shared many laughs and prayers together. she will be missed.* ”



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**Karen Zvosechz** - July 11, 2023 at 06:54 PM

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“ *Love Maria. We rolled many a strudel together. Love all the moments we spent together at church baking and cooking. I can still see her beautiful Easter bread for the altar. She was a lovely woman and a great friend. She will be greatly missed.* ”

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**Noreen A Donat** - July 11, 2023 at 06:23 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Maria Nestinger.* ”

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July 10, 2023 at 07:34 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Maria Nestinger.* ”



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July 10, 2023 at 06:35 PM



“ *My Soul Lives On Blanket* was purchased for the family of Maria Nestinger.



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July 10, 2023 at 06:35 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Maria Nestinger.



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July 10, 2023 at 02:03 PM



“ *My condolences and prayers to your entire family. While my mom, Eleanore King, was a resident of Vitalia, Maria was a great friend to her. When meeting Maria for the first time, she hit a part of my heart and I will always remember her for her laughter and warmth. She was a wonderful lady and will be missed by anyone who met her. I know she is with God and in no pain and will be watching over her family until you all meet again. May God be with you and guide you through this time of grieving. You all have wonderful memories to keep close to your hearts. God love you.*

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**Patricia King (daughter of Eleanore Kin)** - July 10, 2023 at 11:54 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Maria Nestinger.*



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July 10, 2023 at 10:30 AM



“ *Sending lots of love and prayers for Ulma’s family.*

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**LouAnn Bradbury** - July 10, 2023 at 10:20 AM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Maria Nestinger.*



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July 10, 2023 at 10:10 AM