



## Katherine Anne Zinkus

March 17, 1919 - December 30, 2014

Zinkus, Katherine Anne, age 95, of New Martinsville, WV, died Tuesday, December 30, 2014 at Wetzel County Hospital, New Martinsville.

Katherine was born on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, 1919, to Salvatore and Rose Bifora Seccuro in Kingmont, WV.

When she was five years old, her family moved to Fairmont, WV. Katherine was the eighth child in a family of twelve brothers and sisters. There were six girls and six boys. She was the last surviving daughter. Her brother, Jim, survives and lives in Fairmont.

Katherine attended Central Grade School and graduated from Fairmont High School. She went on to graduate from Fairmont Business School.

In 1941, she married John Zinkus on April 27. The couple celebrated 73 years of marriage and in 2013 were awarded the Longest Married Couple Award in the State of West Virginia by the National Marriage Encounter Association.

Her husband, John passed away at the age of 95, on February 10, 2104. Katherine was a devout Catholic and served as secretary for the Catholic Daughters of America, in Morgantown, for several years.

In 1959, the family moved to New Martinsville where they have resided for the past 55 years.

Katherine worked for an optometrist in New Martinsville for several years before working at Corning Glass Company, in Paden City, for 20 years. She was recently awarded a gold bracelet and charm for being a member of the Corning family for 55 years.

The Zinkus's have been members of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church for 55 years and serviced on many committees for the church.

Katherine is survived by her brother, Jim Seccuro of Fairmont, two children, John Charles Zinkus from Springfield, VA, and his wife, Doreen, and Carol Ann Bell and her husband, Samuel, from Church Hill, MD; four grandchildren, Kimberly Lawson, from Scottsdale, AZ; Jennifer Manning and her husband, Scott, from Grays Lake, IL; Matthew Zinkus and his wife, Jennifer, from Dubai; and Michelle Allen from Atlanta, GA; and 6 great grandchildren, Jacob, Rachel and Katie from Atlanta; Zoe and Zane from Grays Lake; and Madeleine from Dubai.

Family will receive friends on Friday, January 2, 2015 from 2-4 & 6-8 pm at Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, 751 Third Street, New Martinsville, where a prayer service will be held at 7:30 pm at the funeral home.

Funeral Liturgy with Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, January 3, 2015 at 10:00 am at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 21 Rosary Road, New Martinsville, with Fr. John McDonough as celebrant.

Burial to follow in Greenlawn Memorial Park, New Martinsville.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, 21 Rosary Road, New Martinsville, WV 26155.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenlawn Memorial Park

North State Route 2  
New Martinsville, WV 26155

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 2. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home - New Martinsville  
751 Third Street  
New Martinsville, WV 26155  
(304) 455-1800  
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

## Visitation

JAN 2. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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751 Third Street  
New Martinsville, WV 26155  
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## Vigil Service

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**JAN 2.** 7:30 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Liturgy with Mass

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**JAN 3.** 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church  
21 Rosary Road  
New Martinsville, WV 26155

# Tribute Wall

MR

“ *John and Carol,*

*What a beautiful picture of your mom with her obituary. Carol, you look just like her in my memory.*

*Margaret (Herrick) Roberts, Magnolia class of 1961*

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**Margaret Roberts** - January 15, 2015 at 07:11 PM

MI

“ *Dear Carol Ann and John, I am so sorry to hear of hear about your mom. She was very special godmother to me and holds a special place in my heart.*

*My love and sympathy to you and your families*

*Michele*

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**Michele** - January 11, 2015 at 01:07 PM

SA

“ *Katherine was such an awesome, kind lady who loved her family and friends and always made everyone feel loved like family. My heart goes out to each family member, and I pray God's comfort and His peace that passes understanding. Love and God bless.*

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**Sylvia Allen** - January 03, 2015 at 08:00 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Katherine Anne Zinkus.*



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January 02, 2015 at 09:20 AM

JL

“ We are so sorry to hear of Aunt Katherine's passing. She will always be remembered as a great lady who was loved by all!  
*Jackie and David Lewis*

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**Jackie Lewis** - January 02, 2015 at 07:51 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Katherine Anne Zinkus.



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January 02, 2015 at 07:48 AM

RR

“ Carol and John,  
*Sincere sympathies to you both, and your families from Betty and I.*  
*Rick Richter*

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**Rick Richter** - January 02, 2015 at 07:38 AM

RL

*Carol and John, I was sorry to hear of your mother's passing. She was such a beautiful and kind lady and had a pretty smile. I know you will miss her. Ruthie Wood L.*

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**ruth wood lafon** - January 07, 2015 at 08:26 PM

JF

*John - so sorry to learn of your mom's passing. We have just received our Wetzel paper and want you to know our thoughts and prayers are with you and the whole extended Zinkus family. RIP Mrs. Z.....*

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**Jack Floyd** - January 18, 2015 at 09:17 AM