



Caroline K. Gialas

October 8, 1924 - June 11, 2007

Caroline K. Gialas, 82, of Belle Vernon died Monday, June 11, 2007 in West Penn Hospital. A daughter of the late Isidoris (James) and Eugenia Patricousis Gialas she was born in Stockdale, PA on October 8, 1924. She was a member of St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church, Monessen where she belonged to the Daughters of Penelope and was an officer and member of the board of directors for many years, and she was an active historian in the church, also she had belonged to the Eastern Star and numerous Educational and Professional organizations. Ms. Gialas was a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh where she obtained a Bachelor's Degree and Two Masters Degree's. She had owned and operated Caroline's Beauty Salon in Stockdale for over 25yrs. In 1970 she embarked on a second career where she taught cosmetology at the Western Area Vocational Technical School in Cannonsburg for over 25 yrs. Prior to her retirement. She was a beloved teacher by many students who continued to stay in touch with her. Ms. Gialas was active in the Anniversary Celebration for the Stockdale Centennial celebration. She was the primary caregiver for her grandmother who was her name sake Kalliopi Patricousis who died in 1963 at the age of 116, who was the oldest living person in Pennsylvania at that time. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by two sisters, Mary Gialas Salidis and Angeline Gialas. Survivors include a sister, Irene Gialas Retos of Washington, PA and a brother, George J. Gialas of Cornwells Heights, PA, nephews and nieces, George, Gregory, and Gary Retos, Karen Retos Demma who is Caroline's

God Daughter, and Victoria Gialas Aristoklis, grand nieces and grand nephews, Branden Retos, Nicholas Retos, Kassandra Retos, Michael Aristoklis, Maria Aristoklis, Mario Demma and Mercyne Demma. Friends will be received 7 to 9 P.M. Tuesday, and 2 to 4 and 7-9 P.M on Wednesday in the Ferguson Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc. (724-929-5300), 700 Broad Avenue, Belle Vernon, www.fergusonfuneralhomeandcrematory.com. Friends are asked to gather at the Funeral Home on Thursday morning at 9:15 A.M. and then go in procession to St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church, Monessen for a 10A.M. service with the Rev. Fr. Demetrios Gardikes officiating. Interment will follow in Belle Vernon Cemetery. A Trisagion service will be held in the Funeral Home on Wednesday evening at 8:30P.M.