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Eleanor Gulino passed away on February 12, 2026, in her home in Annapolis, MD, surrounded by her daughters.

Eleanor was born on May 11, 1934, in Johnstown, PA. She was the oldest of three children born to Agnes (Costanzo) and Anthony Manganella. She was preceded in death by her mother and father, along with siblings Catherine and Anthony, and her husband of 61 years, Michael Gulino.

She is survived by her three daughters: Maria Chilcote (Scott); Agatha Wolyn; and Michele Donate. Her light continues to shine through her six grandchildren: Francesca and Gabriella Chilcote; Michael and Catherine Wolyn; and Gianna and Dominick Donate. She was also the cherished great-grandmother of Daelynn and Isabella Wolyn.

Eleanor had a heart of service and a drive to help others from a very young age. As a teenager, she worked as a Candy Stripper at Mercy Hospital in Johnstown. Upon graduation from high school, she trained and worked as a medical historian.

When she was 21, she decided to continue her life of service as a Catholic nun. Two weeks before entering the convent, she met Michael Gulino, and they were married on February 23, 1957. Later, they moved to Benscreek, where she helped him with his business, The Star Market. She was a lifelong member of St. Andrew's Church.

However, being a wife and mother did not slow down her heart of service. Eleanor continued her work at Mercy Hospital as a prominent member of The Mercy Guild. She served several terms as president and spearheaded countless fundraisers throughout the years, breaking records in funds raised each time. She also spent countless hours volunteering for The Red Cross, The American Cancer Society, and the Johnstown Council for the Arts. To Eleanor, caring for those in their most difficult moments was not a duty, but a calling that she answered with grace and a comforting smile.



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Her greatest joy was found in the family she grew and nurtured. As a beloved mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, she was the golden thread that held everyone together. She was the cornerstone for three generations, providing a foundation of warmth that her children and grandchildren will carry in their hearts forever. She was quiet and full of grace in her demeanor, but a warrior when it came to the happiness of her family, often forsaking her own needs. She had an internal strength and drive that surpassed all others, and she loved her family fiercely.

When she sought a moment of quiet reflection, Eleanor found great joy and peace in her favorite hobby of coloring. She spent many peaceful hours bringing intricate designs to life, carefully choosing each shade to create something vibrant and beautiful. This hobby was a true reflection of her soul, showing her patience and her unique ability to find beauty in the small details. The colorful pages she left behind are a reminder of the brightness she brought into every room she entered.

She also loved football, both college and pro. Before each season, she would have robust conversations about each team's coach and starting lineup. She never missed watching her beloved Nittany Lions or Steelers.

Eleanor lived her life with a quiet resilience that inspired all who knew her, leaving the world a much kinder place than she found it. Her spirit will live on in every act of kindness performed by those who loved her. She leaves behind a legacy built on the quiet, steady strength of her heart.

To honor Eleanor's wishes, there will be no public service, only her immediate family. In lieu of flowers, a donation can be made to The American Cancer Society in her name.



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Join us in honoring Eleanor by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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