



## Virginia J. Potrzebowski

November 24, 2008

Virginia (Chmielowicz) Potrzebowski, 86, passed away on Monday, November 24, 2008. She was born in Toledo, OH, in the Polish Village and was the youngest of ten children, born to immigrant parents. John and Salome Chmielowicz. She attended St. Hedwig Elementary School and graduated from Woodward High School. Virginia attended Davis Business College and her first employment was office work at the Toledo Chevrolet Plant on Central Avenue. She then worked for Champion Spark Plug Company and for seventeen years she was employed at Villa North Manor. Virginia was a member of the Police Post 512, American Legion Aux., Toledo Police Retirees Association Aux., and the Fraternal Order of Police Aux. Virginia married John Potrzebowski, on September 24, 1943, in the Army Chapel at the Souix Falls, SD Radio School. She and her family were long time members of St. Catherine of Siena, before moving to Erie, MI, in the late 1970's. Virginia became part of the Erie community and found contentment there. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. After suffering a stroke in 1991, which left her paralyzed and unable to speak, she became a wonderful example to her family and all who knew her, of how life could be lived with dignity, grace and joy. Her older grandchildren will remember her as a fun-loving person who enjoyed a good party and playing games with them, especially poker. Her younger grandchildren and great-grandchildren, will remember her as a sweet woman with a ready smile and gentle touch. They all will remember the delight she got from giving them the dollar bills she kept

at her side, just for them. She leaves to cherish her memory, her loving and devoted husband, John Potrzebowski; daughters, Mary Jo (the late Michael) McMillan, Anne (Robert) Hankenhof, Denise (Eamon) Keaveny, Julie McDowell; sons, Mark (Sandra) Potrzebowski and Jeffrey (Laurie) Potrzebowski. Also surviving are 16 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren. The family would like to thank Keseera, Shawna, Jaynie, Diane and Jamila, at the Sunrise Center and Hospice of Northwest Ohio. Friends are invited to visit from 4-8 p.m. Friday, in the Ansberg-West Funeral Home, 3000 Sylvania Avenue, (between Secor and Douglas Roads). Prayers will begin at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, from the funeral home, followed by the Funeral Mass at 11 a.m., in Christ the King Catholic Church. Interment will be in Calvary Cemetery.

# Tribute Wall

TT

“ *Ann and Bob, We're so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

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**Tim and Becky Maloney - tmaloney@columbus.rr.com**  
tmaloney@columbus.rr.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ *Denise and Family, We are so sorry for you loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. We hope that you will get through the upcoming holiday season knowing that you have your own angel up in heaven watching over you.*

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**David, Laura, Andrew and Nicole Walker (Cole, Jack - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM**

SB

“ *Denise, So sorry to hear about your mom. My prayers are with you and your family.*

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**Sharon Bucher - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM**

CE

“ *Thinking of you, God Bless.*

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**Chris & Jan Elwing - ElwingC@aol.com ElwingC@aol.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM**

FC

“ Dear Neighbors from Corbin Rd., You are all in my prayers this day as you commend your dear wife, mother, and relative to God's goodness and love. I have other commitments here at my parish so I cannot be with you in person but I will offer the Mass today for Virginia.

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**Fr. Jerry Chmiel** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ We offer our sincere condolences to the Potrzebowski Family on the loss of Virginia. I grew up next door to the Potrzebowski Family on Corbin Road. Mark and I were grade school and high school friends. Darla and I both knew Mark and Sandy during our college years at UT. We offer the family our prayers and best wishes.

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**Ronald and Darla Chmiel** - [rondarla2000@yahoo.com](mailto:rondarla2000@yahoo.com)  
[rondarla2000@yahoo.com](mailto:rondarla2000@yahoo.com) - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM