



## Wilma Christine Baumgartner

October 12, 1934 - July 3, 2024

Wilma Christine Baumgartner, 89, of 102 S. East St. Sayre, PA passed away Wednesday, July 3, 2024, at the Robert Packer Hospital in Sayre. Wilma was born in Danbury, CT on October 12, 1934, the daughter of Arthur Shoemaker and Mary Cheresnowsky Shoemaker. She was a graduate of Sayre High School with the class of 1952. On November 15, 1958, Wilma married Frank W. Baumgartner at the Church of the Epiphany in Sayre.

While attending high school, Wilma was employed by the Park Bakery and Brotan's Clothing Store in Sayre, and was later employed by CASCO and Sylvania Electric in Towanda, and the Sayre Tax Office in Sayre until her retirement. Wilma was very strong in her faith and was a devoted communicant of the Church of the Epiphany in Sayre where she participated in Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration for many years. Wilma also formerly served as Judge of Elections for the 5th ward in Sayre. Wilma enjoyed her talent as a creator of wedding cakes and received several awards for growing beautiful orchids. She loved dancing with her husband Frank who was an Arthur Murray dance instructor for many years, and enjoyed artistic painting, ceramics, working puzzles, and cross stitch.

Wilma is survived by her children, Julianne Wright of Sayre, Marilee Brabson and husband George of Royersford, PA, Frank M. Baumgartner of Sayre, Eric Baumgartner and wife Julia of Cary, NC, Jeremy Baumgartner and wife Stephanie of Hillsboro, Oregon, Libby Seyfried of White Hall, PA, son-in-law, James VanAlstine of Barton, NY, grandchildren, William "Billy" Wright and wife

Kayti, Evan and Sydney Brabson, Emma and Charlotte Baumgartner, Sarah VanAlstine and fiancé Jordan Jicha and Rachel VanAlstine, Kiersten and Sean Baumgartner, Alanna, Leah, Alexa, and Hazel Baumgartner, Matthew, Lindsey and Noah Seyfried, William, Joseph, Charles, Claire, and Anne Hunt, great grandchildren, Jesse Minervini, Aaliyah Benjamin, Austin Benjamin, and Jesse Porter, brothers-in-law, George Foust of Lewisburg, PA, Fred Wasielewski of Waverly, NY, as well as several nieces, nephews, and cousins. In addition to her parents, Wilma was predeceased by her husband of 56 years, Frank W. Baumgartner on March 4, 2015, daughter, Rebecca Diane VanAlstine on July 3, 2016, son-in-law, William E. Wright on July 5, 2015, sisters, Patricia Wasielewski, Alice Hoose and husband Ronald Hoose, Veronica Hollenback and husband David Hollenback.

A mass of Christian burial will be held Monday, July 22nd, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at the Church of the Epiphany, South Elmer Ave., Sayre, PA

Interment will be in the Ascension of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Cemetery, Athens Township, PA. Arrangements are under the direction of the Alteri-Bowen Funeral Home 314 Desmond St. Sayre, PA. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting [www.bowenfuneralhomes.com](http://www.bowenfuneralhomes.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Ascension of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Cemetery

Athens Township, PA

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 22. 10:00 AM (ET)

Church of the Epiphany  
304 S Elmer Ave  
Sayre, PA 18840

# Tribute Wall

MB

“ Condolences to your family. I was a member of Epiphany School class of 1976 with Frank.

Mary (Vallilee) Boyer - July 15, 2024 at 11:55 AM

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Ron Fiorello - July 18, 2024 at 08:06 AM

MB

“ We met Wilma many years ago at the Cheresnowsky reunion. Our father was George Cheresnowsky from Hornell. Our condolences and prayers to Wilmas family 🙏❤️

Mary B - July 15, 2024 at 09:17 AM

RM

“ Dear Julianne and family, Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. I remember many happy times at your home throughout high school, visiting with your mom and dad, brothers and sisters. It was always loud and fun filled! Blessings, Rosemarie (Rockwell) Malanoski, Bryan and family.

Rosemarie Malanoski - July 15, 2024 at 08:45 AM

DC

“ With sympathy, prayers and love, from David & Linda Cheresnowski

David & Linda Cheresnowski - July 14, 2024 at 02:22 PM