



Frances Viola (Fowley) Rathz

December 15, 1917 - June 9, 2015

Frances Viola Rathz (nee Fowley), age 97, originally from Indianapolis, IN, passed away on June 9, 2015 in Kirtland, OH.

Beloved wife of the late Edward; loving mother of Judith Ann (Roger) Sonderman, David Victor (Patricia O'Malley) Rathz and of the late Mary Frances and Nancy Lee; mother in law of the late Patricia (nee Ollom) Rathz; dearest grandmother of Kathleen (Andrew) Zarlinski, Deborah Rathz (Jason) Valent, and Maureen Adams; great-grandmother of Andrew Jr., Rachael, Alana, Kailey and Julia Zarlinski, Dominic and Anthony Valent, and David Adams. Frances was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Laura (nee Shelby) Fowley, and her brothers, Joseph and Edward.

Frances played organ and piano for many years, loved to solve crossword puzzles and was an avid reader. She loved her Catholic faith and was very proud of her Irish heritage.

Friends may call Friday, June 26 from 6 pm to 8 pm at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Avenue, Mentor.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held 9:30 am Saturday, June 27, at 9:30 am at St. Gabriel Catholic Church, 9925 Johnnycake Ridge Rd., Mentor, OH.

In lieu of flowers, the family encourages contributions to Hospice of the Western Reserve, 17876 St. Clair Ave, Cleveland, OH 44110, or to a charity of your choice.

Offer condolences at www.brunners.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **26**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center
8466 Mentor Avenue
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 255-3401
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<https://www.brunners.com/>

Funeral Mass

JUN **27**. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Gabriel Catholic Church
9925 Johnnycake Ridge Rd.
Concord Twp., OH 44060
(440) 352-8282

Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Frances Viola (Fowley) Rathz.*



June 23, 2015 at 04:33 PM



“ *Dear Judy,
Many years later, here we are still sharing in life's joys and sorrows.
Find comfort in knowing that many are thinking of you today.*

Ann Fox Vannice - June 21, 2015 at 10:56 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. I hope fond memories of her will bring you comfort.*

Sherry Studer Walker - June 21, 2015 at 07:56 PM



“ *You are in my heart and my prayers today, Judy.
--your grateful student, John Stark*

John Stark - June 21, 2015 at 01:15 PM

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“ *Dan O'Donnell lit a candle in memory of Frances Viola (Fowley) Rathz*



Dan O'Donnell - June 21, 2015 at 10:33 AM

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“ *Ms Judy, sorry for your loss. I will see you Friday night to pay my respects to your mom. The last time I chatted with your mother was at your retirement party in Cincinnati. She made me laugh the entire time. It must have been her Irish wit and humour.*

Dan ODonnell - June 21, 2015 at 08:30 AM