



Katherine Mazzola Gorman

October 20, 1920 - November 22, 2025

Katherine (Katie) Mazzola Gorman went to her eternal home on November 22, 2025 in Fort Myers, Florida, at the incredible age of 105. She was born on October 20, 1920 in Mount Kisco, New York to the late John and Veronica (Lena) Mazzola.

Her parents always stressed the importance of education, and, as a result, Katie earned a Bachelors of Science in Physical Education from East Stroudsburg University in Pennsylvania and a Masters in Education from Columbia University in New York City.

Katie passionately taught for 40 years in the Stamford, Connecticut school system as a Physical Education Teacher and Guidance Counselor. She touched the lives of many students throughout her career.

She married James Gorman in Stamford, Connecticut in 1949. They had two children, Patricia (Patty) and James (Jim). Katie was the daughter of Italian immigrants, and James the son of Irish immigrants, so she learned how to cook Irish food. Every year, she would make Irish Soda Bread for Saint Patrick' s Day and distribute over 100 loaves to her friends and family.

Katie and James retired to Bonita Springs, Florida in 1995 and lived at Worthington Country Club. She played golf and was an active card player.

Being a former physical education teacher, she enjoyed watching all sports and never missed a tennis or golf match on TV. She was known by friends and family as an exuberant, independent, and caring woman.

Starting on her 90th birthday, Katie threw big birthday celebrations every year with a full house. On her 100th birthday, due to Covid restrictions, a birthday party was out of the question. Instead, however, an outside parade was put on in her honor and attended by many. She deeply loved everyone and was loved by everyone!

Katie was preceded in death by her husband of 57 years, James Gorman; sister, Rae Turturro; and daughter, Patricia Gorman.

Her memory lives on with her brothers, Joe Mazzola and Frank Mazzola; sister-in-law, Dee Mazzola; son, James Gorman and wife, Dana Gorman; grandson, Cole Gorman and wife, Ashley Gorman; granddaughter, Alyssa Gorman; and two great grandchildren, Charleston and Raleigh Gorman.

Katie will be remembered and honored by friends and family on Friday, January 16, 2026, at 10:30am at St. Leo the Great Roman Catholic Church, 28300 Beaumont Rd, Bonita Springs Fl, 34134.

To sign her guest register or to leave online condolences please visit www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com.

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Previous Events

Memorial Mass

JAN 16. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Leo the Great Catholic Church
28300 Beaumont Road
Bonita Springs, FL 34134

Tribute Wall

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“ I'll always remember Katie for how she loved to dance with my hours and George. They shared the same birth date of the 20 th so they thought that was special. One year when Katie was in her upper 90's for a birthday gift I took her to La Playar for lunch & they treated her like royalty. She was so happy & I was so happy for her. She was one great lady., & is missed by all who knew her.

Joyce K Cardoza - January 07 at 10:03 AM