



Kasmiera Olender

April 30, 1924 - February 3, 2025

Kasmiera Olender-Hryckiewicz, affectionally known as "Kas," passed away February 3, 2025 at home with her devoted sister, Lottie, by her side. Born to Alexander and Sophie (Iwanicki) Olender in Passaic in 1924, the family moved to Wallington where Kas lived for the rest of her life. Appropriately, Kas was named after her mother's first grade teacher which translated into a desire for Kas to learn and become a teacher. She attended Washington School, now Wallington High School, and graduated from Lodi High School. Focused on her education, she received her BS degree in Elementary Education from Fairleigh Dickinson. Although she became a 4th and 6th grade teacher in Carlstadt, her schooling never stopped. Kas received a Master's Degree in Reading and then a School Supervisor's Certificate. Before her retirement, she served as principal of the Lindbergh and Lincoln Schools in Carlstadt. Her desire and drive to become an educator were fulfilled.

Kasmiera was predeceased by her only son, Robert, a Vietnam veteran, her loving brother, Frank Olender, and her sister-in-law Jennie (Marut) Olender. She is survived by two grandsons, John and Mark Hryckiewicz. Kas is also survived by her sister, Lottie, who at the age of 95, helped Kas celebrate her 100th birthday with recognition by Wallington ex-mayor Wargacki as well as a serenade by the Gavlak Elementary School choir. As an active member of Most Sacred Heart Church, Kas served as a Eucharistic Minister, lector and a CCD instructor. She was also a member of Renew and the Columbiettes. She was a president of the local AARP and served as a Eucharistic Minister at

Hackensack University Medical Center for 12 years. Kas was also known for decorating Polish- style Easter eggs (Pisanki) which were displayed in the front windows of Adam's Market for years as well as the Church's display case. Her wit and humor will be remembered by all who know her. Kasmiera, a life devoted to family, community and friends.

Memorial donations in Kas's name to Most Sacred Heart of Jesus R.C. Church (127 Paterson Ave Wallington, NJ 07057) or a charity of your choice would be kindly appreciated.

Cemetery Details

St. Michael's Cemetery

120 Saddle River Avenue
South Hackensack, NJ 07606

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 7. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Kamienski Funeral Home of Wallington
106 Locust Avenue
Wallington, NJ 07057

Visitation

FEB 8. 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM (ET)

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Wallington, NJ 07057

Funeral Mass

FEB 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus R.C. Church
127 Paterson Avenue
Wallington, NJ 07057

Burial

FEB 8. 11:15 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *friend lit a candle in memory of Kasmiera Olender*



friend - February 08, 2025 at 10:44 AM

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“ *I only knew Kas for a short time but loved visiting with her and Lottie. I enjoyed listening to her talk about her life growing up in Wallington and her career as an educator. She was a beautiful soul and I will miss her immensely. See you in Heaven some day, Kas.*

Doona Parry - February 06, 2025 at 07:33 AM

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“ *Deepest sympathy to Lottie, uring our married life we were nieghbors with you !Lottie and Druga Matka we had many good times together. May she rest in Peace. She was my vice-president in MSH Columbiettes, she was my right hand and worked together very well. Thank you.*

Barbara Ann Novak -Lissi - February 04, 2025 at 06:14 PM