



Ljubica Matejic

April 17, 2016

Protopresbytera Ljubica Matejic (nee Nebrigic) fell asleep in the Lord on April 17. She lived a life of service to her family, her faith, and the Serbian Orthodox Church. Her life's journey took her from a small town in Yugoslavia, to displaced persons' camps in Italy and West Germany, England, and finally to Monroe MI and Columbus. She loved music and especially hymns and singing in the church choir. Educated, refined, and well read, her quiet voice and reasoned thinking will be missed. May her memory be eternal!

She is survived by her husband of 67 years, the V. Rev. Mateja Matejic, five children -- Predrag (Tatyana), Milica Brust (Frederick), Vida Bowen (Thomas), Nenad, and Dragana Orbovich (Milan), 12 grandchildren -- Nenad, Svetoslav, Anjalyn, Angela, Zachary, Konstantin, Emily, Kara, Tom, Alex, Milan, Aleks, and six great grandchildren -- Ethan, Sam, Eli, Sophia, Dimitur, Stella. She is also survived by her sister, Gordana and nephew Bora Miric.

Calling hours will be at Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home, 515 North High Street, Wednesday, April 20, 2016, beginning at 2:00 pm, with pomen at 6:30 pm. The funeral service will take place on Thursday (April 21, 2016) at 10:00

am at St. Stevan of Dechani Serbian Orthodox Church (1840 N. Cassady Avenue). His Grace Bishop of Eastern America Dr. Mitrophan (Kodic) will be officiating. Internment will take place at Marcha Monastery (Richfield, Ohio) later that day.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations in her memory be made to Marcha Monastery (5095 Broadview Rd., Richfield, Ohio 44286), Kobacker House (800 McConnell Drive, Columbus OH 43214), or St. Stevan's Serbian Orthodox Church (1840 N. Cassidy Avenue, Columbus OH 43219).

Cemetery Details

Marcha Monastery

5095 Broadview Road
Richfield, OH

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 20. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Rutherford-Corbin Funeral Home
515 High Street
Worthington, OH 43085
(614) 885-4006
info@rutherfordfuneralhome.com
<https://www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Services

APR 21. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Stevan of Dechani Serbian Orthodox Church
1840 North Cassidy Avenue
Columbus, OH 43219

Tribute Wall



“ *Ljubica Matejic*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Ljubica was so warm and welcoming to my family. A wonderful lady. Holding the family up in Prayer*

barbara wilkie - April 20, 2016 at 12:10 PM



“ *I had just started working in the Hilandar Room as a graduate student in 1988. There was a number of tasks to learn and visitors to greet. On a day I was nervous, Ljubica Matejic told me that I was doing well for just starting and gave a reassuring smile. It helped a lot that day. And she was always very kind every other time she came into the library. I have been fortunate to have met Ljubica Matejic, her husband Father Matejic, and their son Predrag Matejic.*
-- Robert Gross

Robert Gross - April 19, 2016 at 06:30 PM



“ *To the Matejic Family,*

David and I would like to offer our sincerest condolences. You are in our thoughts, prayers and hearts! Ljubica was a beautiful woman inside and out - God has taken her home but she will be with you always in your hearts and memories - your special angel!

*God Bless you All!!!
David & Lisa Hance*

David & Lisa Hance - April 19, 2016 at 01:03 PM

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“ Dear Predrag, condolences to you and your family. You are in my thoughts.

Marsha Hamilton - April 19, 2016 at 12:14 PM

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“ Sam Orbovich 620 Lawson Ave. Steubenville, Ohio 43952 purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum for the family of Ljubica Matejic.



Sam Orbovich 620 Lawson Ave. Steubenville, Ohio 43952 -
April 19, 2016 at 12:05 PM

“ To the Matejic family:

Embedded within each person are diamond-like qualities waiting to be mined bringing joy to our Maker, others, and ourselves. Are we willing to endure the pressure, the cutting, and the polishing of the Master Jeweler to bring out the diamond within us?

The conditions of high pressure and temperature way beneath the Earth's crust must be ideal for carbon to form into diamond. Slightly less than this, we end up with graphite (a soft black mineral) instead of the extremely hard, clear crystal we know as diamond.. That's why we have to be willing to endure the pain of trials and godly discipline if we want God's character to be perfected in us.

A diamond is the hardest known mineral. It's the unique molecular structure of the carbon atoms that makes a diamond very hard. As we allow Christ to live in us we will have His diamond-hard strength to withstand the pressures of life and not be easily scratched or wounded by the words or deeds of others.

The more we come under the sharp edge of God's Word and allow it to pierce and shape us, the more valuable we will be for His Kingdom. Someone once said that God cannot use us until He has first wounded us.

God's diamonds will be judged, not by the colour or roughness of their exterior, but by the content and quality of their interior, in a word, by their character.

This is how I describe, Ljubica Matejic, anyone who knew her knew how much dedication went into her family, from the time of walking out of Yugoslavia at a tender age and starting over in the United States alone, scared and speaking no English, but day by day and year after year, with the strength of her husband they began a life such as the diamond and bore a beautiful family and had such a comradery of many friends and in the end she became God's diamond in the rough .

She lead a wonderful long life, I know she took her last breathe on earth only to take her first breathe in God's arms, she will be missed but with memories and her legacy she will always be with us.

God Bless you

*Love,
Cyndi Buoni-Koch*

Cyndi Buoni-Koch - April 19, 2016 at 10:20 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ljubica Matejic.*



April 18, 2016 at 07:42 PM