



## Nancy M. Zientara

May 27, 1930 - January 1, 2025

Nancy M. Zientara passed away on Wednesday, January 1, 2025, at Otterbein Sunset House with her family by her side.

Nancy was born May 27, 1930, in Toledo, Ohio to Julius and Edna (Bohm) Petsch. She was a graduate of Libbey High School Class of 1948. After graduation, she began working at Ohio Bell Telephone Company where she met her husband, George David Zientara. Together, they celebrated 49 years of marriage before his passing on May 20, 1998. They had three children: Deborah Zientara Dredge, Gregg David Zientara, and Lori Zientara Edgeworth. Most of her married life was spent as a homemaker. She had much love and pride in her family. When her older children were in high school, Nancy returned to work. She took a position as school secretary for the Diocese of Toledo at St. Jude Catholic Grade School. Nancy loved working with the school children and in 1979 was nominated and recognized as National Catholic School Secretary of the Year. After 17 years at St. Jude, Nancy retired in 1993.

Nancy loved to travel, especially to the beaches in Florida and the Outer Banks in North Carolina. The highlight of her travel was a trip to Europe to visit her son and family who lived in Paris. She and her husband, George David, visited France, Germany, Switzerland, and Austria.

Nancy was an avid University of Michigan Football fan. She and her husband George Zientara were football season ticket holders for many years. They also held University of Toledo basketball season tickets and rarely missed a

game. Nancy was an election day poll worker beginning at the age of 18 and continued until 2008. She was involved with Libbey High School alumni and helped plan reunion events for the class of 1948. She loved dancing, card games, and being active on a daily basis. Nancy was a member of the Toledo Police Retirees Association until her death.

Nancy had a definite fondness for the Toledo Police Department as her husband George D. Zientara was a Toledo Police Officer for 30 years retiring in 1982.

Nancy married George Thabit, a retired Toledo Police Officer in 2004.

Together they enjoyed 19 years of marriage until his passing in 2023.

Nancy was preceded in death by her parents; siblings: Violet Petsch Pautz, Melvin Petsch, and Evelyn Petsch Sanderson; Husbands, George David Zientara and George Thabit, along with many other family members.

Nancy is survived by her children: Deborah Zientara Dredge (Greg); Gregg D. Zientara (Beth Bagby); and Lori Zientara Edgeworth (Jim). Her 8 grandchildren: Jenny Dredge Moeller (Matt); Brian Gregory Dredge (Michelle); Sarah Dredge Ulery (Tyler); Kathryn Zientara Willis (Jesse); Allison Zientara Jones (Mike); Michael Anthony Zientara (Tory Rezin); Alexandra Edgeworth Schoen (Ben) and Conner James Edgeworth (Jackie); and 18 great-grandchildren; Many nieces and nephews, as well as many members of the Thabit family and special care-giver, Sheila Bernhard.

Friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Rd., on Thursday, January 9th from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Funeral services will be held on Friday, January 10th, in the mortuary, at 11:00 a.m. Entombment will follow at Toledo Memorial Park.

The family would like to thank the entire staff of Otterbein Sunset House for their care and friendship of Nancy over the past two and half years. In addition, we would like to thank Ohio Living Home Health and Hospice for their support and service during the last two months.

Donations may be made to Ohio Living Home Health and Hospice. Please view and sign our online "guest registry" at [CoyleFuneralHome.com](http://CoyleFuneralHome.com)



# Cemetery Details

## Toledo Memorial Park

6382 Monroe St  
Sylvania, OH 43560

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **9**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral Home  
1770 S. Reynolds Road  
Toledo, OH 43614

## Funeral Ceremony

JAN **10**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Coyle Funeral Home  
1770 S. Reynolds Road  
Toledo, OH 43614

# Tribute Wall

MC

“ I was saddened to learn of Nancy's passing, but know she lived a long and exemplary life, and will always be in the hearts and memories of her family and friends. I'm sorry to have missed the memorial events, and am making a donation in her name to the OH Living Health and Hospice organization. Please know I am thinking of Nancy, with gratitude for the privilege of knowing her!

Marilyn J Clark - January 21, 2025 at 02:01 PM

CV

“ 2 files added to the album VIDEO TRIBUTE



COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - January 09, 2025 at 09:46 AM

CF

“ Chip & Cathy Foster and family purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Nancy M. Zientara.



Chip & Cathy Foster and family - January 08, 2025 at 11:59 AM

J(

“ I am sorry for your loss and sending prayers for comfort to you all. My memories are old. From Williamsdale growing up. I remember a time going to lunches at your house. Campbell's Chicken n Rice soup. My mom always wondered why I would eat it at your house but not at my house. Lol. Always glad to see Nancy at stores and voting tables in a little later years. May she be at Peace with Joy and Comfort with our Eternal Father thanks to Jesus for our everlasting life. Amen

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**Janice L Burkhardt (Momsen)** - January 07, 2025 at 04:00 PM

CE

“ Carol Edgeworth purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Nancy M. Zientara.



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**Carol Edgeworth** - January 07, 2025 at 12:14 PM

AP

“ I met Nancy at Otterbein Sunset House when our mothers became neighbors on Sunflower Lane. The three ladies, Nancy, Betty, and my mother Do, were neighbors and ate many meals and were together at activities. I always enjoyed seeing Nancy when I came to visit Mom. We had quit a few discussions about her beautiful nails that Shelia did for her. It was an honor to know Nancy and her beautiful soul and I always felt that both Lori and Shelia not only were loving, caring, and wonderful to Nancy, but have a special place in my heart for looking out for my mother as well. I know all of your hearts are broken for losing such a wonderful woman and my thoughts and prayers are with you and all the family. Amy Page (Do McEwen's daughter)

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**Amy Page** - January 05, 2025 at 11:35 AM

KP

“ Lori,

*Condolences to you and your family. Your mother was such a classy lady and I remember her fondly. May your memories bring you comfort and joy during this time of sadness. Karen Starkloff Patton*

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**karen patton** - January 05, 2025 at 09:30 AM

JS

“ *I met Nancy at Otterbein Sunset House, as my Mom, Betty was her neighbor. I especially liked Nancy, as she had a sweet demeanor and was about the same age as my Mom. They became friends almost immediately. Nancy was a warm and caring woman who lived a good life. Her daughter, Lori was attentive and made sure Nancy's needs were taken care of. Sheila also spent devoted time with Nancy as a friend and caregiver. God bless you both, Lori and Sheila, for all the love and care you provided. You are both angels! May Nancy RIP and may God lift Nancy up to the heavens on the last day. Julie Shafer, Betty's daughter from Arizona.*

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**Julie Shafer** - January 04, 2025 at 05:44 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Nancy M. Zientara.*



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January 04, 2025 at 10:57 AM

PD

“ Although we are unable to attend Nancy’s funeral we would like to pass on our thoughtful wishes to her family for a peaceful journey to Life everlasting. A lovely lady deserves such everlasting life. Our best wishes, Patty and Daren Dabrowski

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**patty dabrowski** - January 03, 2025 at 10:38 PM

PC

“ Phyllis &Paul Craver (Thabit cousin) purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Nancy M. Zientara.



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**Phyllis &Paul Craver (Thabit cousin)** - January 03, 2025 at 02:23 PM