



Anna Kulikowski Drahushuk

June 26, 1921 - July 31, 2013

Anna (nee Kulikowski) Drahushuk, 92, born June 26, 1921, passed away on Wednesday July 31, 2012 at the Pine Haven Home in Philmont, and now is with the love of her life, John Drahushuk (Sept. 28, 1999). Anna was predeceased by her sister Sophie Lubianetsky and her parents, William and Mary (Myszka) Kulikowski. Anna was born in the lower east side of Manhattan, where she spent her childhood before moving to Hudson, NY with her family when she was a teenager. They joined the St Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church soon after they moved, to which she remained devoted. Her Hudson High yearbook said her greatest accomplishment was “that ring”. After graduating, she attended and graduated from the Millinery School in NYC. She then moved back to Hudson to work at the family business, the Columbia Diner, and marry John in April 1942. They were married 57 years at the time of his passing. Anna was an accomplished cook and baker as evidenced by the requests made by friends, family and her church. Besides making all of the time consuming Ukrainian foods, she and John regularly made the Columbia Diner’s Manhattan Clam Chowder and Macaroni and Cheese for family and friends. She tried, and became accomplished at many hobbies such as candy making and crocheting. In her eyes though, her greatest accomplishment was raising six children with wit and discipline. Her children might say more discipline than wit, but

since they all have a good sense of humor, the combination must have worked. They are: J.B. (Pat) of Castleton, NY, William (Laurie) of Hudson, NY, Bob (Mary) of Akron, NY, Karen (Larry Hamm) of Zionsville, PA, Linda (John Campeta) of Hudson, NY, and Sandra of Leeds, NY.

The lights of her life, however, were her grandchildren: Audra, Julie, Jennie, Aaron, Lee, Tom, Nathaniel, Andrea, Chelsea, Marisa, Cody, and her step-great granddaughter, Harley. It only got better when she got to enjoy her great-grandchildren: Sophia, Alaina and Reese. Watching the little ones had her smiling from ear to ear. Even in her nineties, she would pull them onto her lap, and hold them as long as she could. Anna is also survived by cousins, numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Calling hours will be Thursday August 1, from 4 to 7 PM with Panakhyda prayers at 6 PM at the Sacco-McDonald-Valenti Funeral Home 700 Town Hall Drive Hudson. A Mass of Christian Burial will be Celebrated Friday morning 9:00 AM at St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church in Hudson. Fr. John Jedrychowski will officiate. Burial will follow in Cedar Park Cemetery, Hudson, NY.

Anna requested that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church, 206 Union Street, Hudson, NY 12534.