

# *Eleanor A. Vaicaitis*

April 11, 2009

Eleanor A. Vaicaitis, 91, of Frackville, died Saturday evening at Seton Manor, Orwigsburg.

Born in Girardville, she was a daughter of the late Frank and Martha Karazaius Kugris.

She was a graduate of Girardville High School and received a bachelor's degree from Kutztown University. She continued her graduate studies at Penn State University, Bucknell University and Duke University.

She taught math and science in Girardville, Frackville and Ashland area school districts during her 40-year career, retiring from North Schuylkill School District.

She was a member of Annunciation BVM Catholic Church, Frackville, Knights of Lithuania, Council 144, Lithuanian Women's Club of Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania Association of School Retirees, Frackville Senior Citizens and the Ladies of the Elks.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Daniel Rugienius, and her second husband, Stanley Vaicaitis.

Surviving are a son, Frank Rugienius and his wife, Jane McLaughlin, Ambler; two step sons, Sylvan Vaicaitis and his wife, Pat, and Michael Vaicaitis and his wife, Susan, both of Rhode Island; two step daughters, Monica Sahn and her husband, Richard, Cogan Station, and Kathy Schofield and her husband, Bill, Rhode Island; two sisters, Natalie Vallee and Violet Kugris, both of Boston, Mass.; four grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Annunciation BVM Catholic Church with the Rev. Edward Essig, pastor, as the celebrant. Relatives and friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at Albert L. Gricoski Funeral Home and from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Friday at the church.

Interment will be in Annunciation Parish Cemetery, Englewood, Butler Township. Donations can be made in her name to Frackville Free Public Library, 56 N. Lehigh Ave., Frackville, PA 17931. Albert L. Gricoski Funeral Home, Frackville, has charge of arrangements.