



## Mrs. Azucena "Zeny" Gregorio Winterling

April 10, 1942 - September 15, 2021

Azucena (Zeny) Winterling, age 79 of Sykesville, died peacefully with her husband, children and niece by her side on Wednesday, September 15, 2021. Born April 10, 1942 in Manila, Philippines to parents Modesta and Delmacio Gregorio she was the youngest of seven children, Daniel, Lucina, Victorina, Catalina, Benjamin, and Robert. Zeny and her husband, Joe Winterling, were married for 53 years, dedicated to each other and their profound faith as Catholics. Surviving in addition to her husband, Joe, and her sister, Lucina, are her children; daughter Christina Winterling Koup, son-in-law Rick Koup, son Joey Winterling, daughter Angela Winterling Antony and son-in-law Tony Antony. Also survived by her grandchildren Taylor, David, Matthew, Hailey, Benjamin, Salaath, Zander and Dominic and great grandchild Kylo.

The Winterling family has been active and committed parishioners of Saint Joseph's Catholic Church in Eldersburg for over 40 years. Zeny, a pillar of faith and service in many ministries including music ministry, ministry to the elderly, homeless, homebound and much more. Zeny's relationship with the Blessed Mother Mary was intimate, profound and constant. In addition to her church she also frequented Our Lady Center in Ellicott City and sang for many years with The Filipino Choir of Baltimore.

Growing up in the Philippines her dreams and desires were made reality as an adult in the United States. After receiving her Bachelors of Science in Nursing and becoming a Registered Nurse. She was recruited by the German Government to work for the German Hospital System where she met her husband, Joe Winterling, while he was stationed in Frankfurt, Germany with the American Army. They were married there and had their first daughter, Christina before moving to Baltimore, MD. She always loved deeply her family, God and music. She found her calling to God's service in the form of music ministry and as a deeply devoted wife, mother, friend, aunt, daughter and most especially as a Grandmother. Zeny was always full of energy and light. She saw the good in everyone she met and would always compliment anyone she came in contact with. She was inclusive, inviting anyone and everyone to lunch or a party. She impacted countless lives through her ministry and inclusivity, a mark that will be felt for generations to come.

The Family will receive family, friends and community at Haight Funeral Home, Sykesville, MD on Monday, September 20, 2021 2:00 -4:00 pm and 6:00 - 8:00 pm. The Catholic

Memorial Mass (funeral service) will be held at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Eldersburg, MD on Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 11:00am. Burial follows at Springfield Cemetery, Sykesville, MD followed by a reception at St. Joseph's Church Fellowship Hall. In lieu of flowers please send monetary donations to the University of Maryland Marlene and Stewart Greenebaum Comprehensive Cancer Center, 22 S. Greene St., Baltimore, Md 21201.

# Cemetery

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# Events

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**Springfield  
Cemetery**  
7300 Spout Hill Road  
Sykesville, MD,  
21784

**SEP 20 Visitation 02:00PM - 04:00PM**

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Haight Funeral Home & Chapel P.A.  
6416 Sykesville Road P.O. Box 195, Sykesville, MD, US,  
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**SEP 20 Visitation 06:00PM - 08:00PM**

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**SEP 21 Service 11:00AM**

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St. Joseph Catholic Community  
915 Liberty Road, Eldersburg, MD, US, 21784

# Comments

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“ Dear Joe and family,  
Zeny was a member of the SJCC Adult Choir for the 5-1/2 years I was the Pastoral Associate for Liturgy and Music. Part of my responsibilities at the parish was to direct the Adult Choir. Zeny was a regular in the choir and always came with a smile and joy in her heart. She was a gentle and peaceful spirit and I always enjoyed her as a choir member. May God grant you peace, comfort, and strength at this time of her death and in the days and weeks ahead as you mourn her loss. For God's faithful, life is changed not ended. May she rest in the peace and love of our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ.

**Lyle D. Peters** - September 26 at 07:49 AM

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“ It was around 1980's that I first met Zeny while shopping at the local KMart in Eldersburg. From that time on, we've been taking turns babysitting our kids, having family dinners together and hosting Christmas parties with some other family friends. I vividly remember, in my little car, packed with six kids (we have 3 each), Zeny and I, going shopping, or to a park. We've been doing these happy memories for some years until the kids have grown and busy with their schooling. Zeny was so easy to get along with and happy memories of her will never be forgotten and will always stay in our hearts.

Charles and Eve Colison and family.

**Eve Colison** - September 20 at 03:15 PM

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“ Evelyn sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Azucena "Zeny" Gregorio Winterling



**Evelyn** - September 20 at 10:58 AM

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“ Evelyn lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Azucena "Zeny" Gregorio Winterling



**Evelyn** - September 20 at 10:57 AM

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“ Zeny had the voice of an Angel. She had a warm and welcoming presence wherever she went. Everyone loved her. Her gifts of singing, hospitality, caring for others, deep faith and love for Our Blessed Mother and Our Lord shined throughout her life. I have warm memories of our times together in ministry and friendship. May she be singing with the angels in heaven in peace. Deepest Sympathy! Love, Helen Croston

**Helen Croston** - September 19 at 10:59 PM

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“ If you were looking for someone who lived Christianity to the fullest, or if you every wondered if Jesus Christ is alive and well in our world today, all you needed to do was spend some time with Zeny. Have a discussion about family, or about going to mass and breakfast after church, or discuss how lucky we are to be a part of a small Christian community. When you had that blessing of sharing time with Zeny, you knew that God's love and compassion flowed from her very soft spoken words, the twinkle in her eye or the wonderful smile that seem to always be on her face. Zeny touched Bev's and my life so much over the last 40 years that we had the honor of calling Joe and Zeny our friends. While we can only see Zeny now when we close our eyes and recall the wonderful times we have shared together, we should all feel blessed to have one of God's angels praying for us from heaven. Bev and I are better people because we spent time with her.

Joe, Angela, Christiana and Joey, our heart is with you in your time of sorrow. Wishing you peace and strength that only God can give you during this time of great sorrow. Know that there is a great and wonderful God watching over you, and that, throughout this time of need, He'll stay close by your side.

You all are in our thoughts and prayers.

Love

John and Bev Zielinski



John & Bev Zielinski - September 19 at 06:31 PM

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“ Joe and family, please accept my sincerest sympathy. I will keep you all in my thoughts & prayers during this difficult time. Please know that Zeny is safe in Our Lord's arms.



Frank SanFellipo - September 19 at 03:32 PM

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“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Azucena "Zeny" Gregorio Winterling.



September 18 at 09:29 PM

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“ We met Zeny when shopping at the local KMart (around 2003). I met her again at St Joseph CC. With the big smile and the long hair, she is such a beautiful person. Her presence at the church choir, and her inviting and humble personality will sorely be missed.

Jarvis and Blanca - September 18 at 09:18 PM

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“ I remember Zeny who always had a smile on her face and a kind word for everyone.

Pat Kelleher - September 18 at 05:09 PM

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“ Bob, Gail, Kyle, Sasha, Jeff, Colleen & kids purchased the Solid White Standing Cross With Bright Flower Break for the family of Mrs. Azucena "Zeny" Gregorio Winterling.



Bob, Gail, Kyle, Sasha, Jeff, Colleen & kids - September 17 at 05:54 PM

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“ Lavender & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Azucena "Zeny" Gregorio Winterling.



September 17 at 12:13 PM

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“ October 1978-  
I had just moved in from Ma. Zeny knocked on my door,introduced herself and said welcome to the neighborhood and handed me a cake she had baked,and we have had a relationship for over 40 years.

Lucille and Richard Perron  
and family.

**Lucille Perron** - September 17 at 11:37 AM

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“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Azucena "Zeny" Gregorio Winterling.



September 17 at 07:31 AM

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“ White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Azucena "Zeny" Gregorio Winterling.



September 17 at 06:59 AM



“ Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Mrs. Azucena "Zeny" Gregorio Winterling.



September 16 at 10:30 PM

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“ Eternal Grace was purchased for the family of Mrs. Azucena "Zeny" Gregorio Winterling.



September 16 at 10:20 PM

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“ Eternal Paradise was purchased for the family of Mrs. Azucena "Zeny" Gregorio Winterling.



September 16 at 10:18 PM

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“ Red & White Mixed Standing Open Heart was purchased for the family of Mrs. Azucena "Zeny" Gregorio Winterling.



September 16 at 02:59 PM