



## Julianna Finn Mannino

November 20, 1936 - August 13, 2023

Dr. Julianna Marie Walker Finn Mannino of Royal Oak, Michigan, passed away on Sunday, August 13, 2023. Born November 20, 1936, she passed at the age of 86 years old.

Survived by her husband Sam Mannino of 26 years of Royal Oak. Beloved Mother to five Children, Don, (Ellen), Chris (Petra), Matt (Elizabeth), Mary Kay, Greg (Anne) and Ten Grandchildren, and 2 Great Grandchildren. Also, beloved stepmother to Kara (David), Greg (Trina), Marca (Charles), Lea (Keith), Dana (Steve), Sara. Plus 10 additional grandchildren and 3 Great Grandchildren from Sam's family.

She was preceded in death by her first husband Don Finn who passed away in 1977. Also preceded were her parents, Nobert and Kathleen Walker of Detroit and her brother James who died in 1936. Julianna survived by her siblings, William (Pat) Walker, Kathy Walker, Martha (Jerry) Klemmer, and Joseph (Mary) Walker. Also survived by many nephews, nieces, cousins and friends.

She grew up on the East side of Detroit and went to Servite High School. She was Valedictorian of her class at Servite in 1954. After high school, Julianna attended Nurse training at Mount Carmel Hospital earning her RN degree in 1957.

After her first husband passed, Julianna went back to school at Wayne State and worked hard to achieve her Masters, then PHD in Nursing. Julianna then became a Professor of Nursing at Oakland Community College for over 20

years at the Highland Lakes campus. She trained a generation of Nurses during her time at Oakland Community College. She was known as a challenging professor academically, but kind and fair to her students.

Julianna was also a Nurse volunteer at Mother's and Unborn Baby Care for over 25 years. This organization helped young pregnant women with pre-natal care, baby clothing, baby cribs, shelter and even employment. She conducted thousands of ultrasounds and prenatal care with these young women with the hope of convincing them to keep their pregnancy. She was a strong advocate for the unborn her entire life and believed in protecting the Sanctity of Life. She was able to save many children due to her efforts.

Julianna and Sam are longtime members of Shrine of the Little Flower Parish in Royal Oak for over 60 years. Julianna and Sam raised their children at Shrine and all 11 children attended Shrine schools. She loved gardening and was a Master Gardener, always had several gardens at her houses. She even designed and built two gardens, one at Shrine Church and the other at St. Vincent DePaul honoring Our Lady of Guadalupe. She had a very strong Catholic faith and remained a dedicated servant to others through her many charitable causes. She also loved to travel, having taken many cruises with Sam to Europe, Alaska, and the Caribbean. She loved nothing better than sitting in the sun or the beach and reading a good book.

Julianna especially loved spending time with her Ten grandchildren. She was known affectionately as "Finn Ma" by all her grandchildren. They remember having special adventures with Finnma searching for "wonderful things" at her house on Square Lake. She lived a rich full life and we are so blessed to call her our mother. She was an amazing person, always a bright light, she taught us everything, and we are richer for Julianna being with us all for 86 years. She is at peace in Heaven watching over us all now.

A visitation will be held on Tuesday, August 15, 2023, from 3-8pm with a Rosary service at 7pm at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd. (4 blks E. of Woodward), Royal Oak. A Funeral Mass will be held on Wednesday, August 16, 2023, in-state at 9:30am until the time of Mass at

10am, at National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, 2100 12 Mile Rd, Royal Oak, MI 48073. The Mass will be livestreamed at <https://shrinechurch.com/> for those who cannot attend in person. Memorial contributions to Mother and Unborn Baby Care, 24500 Southfield Rd., Southfield 48075 are appreciated. Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 15. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
(248) 541-7000  
royal@sullivanfh.com  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

## Rosary

AUG 15. 7:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
(248) 541-7000  
royal@sullivanfh.com  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

## Instate @ Church

AUG 16. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica  
2100 Twelve Mile Rd  
Royal Oak, MI 48073-3910  
(248) 541-4122

## Funeral Mass

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AUG **16**. 10:00 AM (ET)

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica  
2100 W. 12 Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48073

# Tribute Wall

RM

“ *Such an amazing mom, friend mentor...I was so happy to have had the pleasure of learning many useful homemaking and child caring tips when I babysat for Don, Chris and Matt. She will always be in my heart for all she shared with me, I named my son Matthew (after her Matt)and was blessed to have called and spoke with her 2 yrs ago to catch up with our lives...she will be missed by many. Heavenly Blessing to the family.*

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**Rose M** - November 20, 2023 at 09:27 AM

SS

“ *I had the honor and privilege of sharing an office with Julianna on the Oakland community college campus in Union Lake. She was brilliant and highly respected by her colleagues and students. She started a stock club which grew with our nursing colleagues, families and neighbors and lasted 30 years. Our monthly meetings, picnics and Christmas parties were filled with joy, fun , laughter and wine. She will be in my heart forever. I know she is now an angel in the heavenly realm.*

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**Sherrill Sundberg** - August 17, 2023 at 02:45 PM

KL

“ *I worked briefly at Mother and Unborn Baby Care as Office Manager in the early 2000s when the center was in the old office near 696. I remember Julianna as an amazing woman who I considered a mentor and an exemplar of great faith. Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace.*

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**Kelly Luttinen** - August 16, 2023 at 09:46 AM

BK

“ Dear Finn and Mannino Families  
My heartfelt condolences on the loss of your mother.  
She was such a kind and generous soul.  
I Think of all the Masses, letters and rosary  
that Julianna sent to my wife,  
Mary Ann Kristopik (cousins)  
My legs don't allow me to visit, but I am with you.  
in prayer and thought  
I'm sure the two union lake neighbors are now again.  
neighbors in the hands of the Lord  
May God Bless your family  
Bob Kristopik

Bob Kristopik - August 15, 2023 at 04:21 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Julianna Finn Mannino.

August 15, 2023 at 02:45 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.



August 15, 2023 at 02:45 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Julianna Finn Mannino.

August 15, 2023 at 01:21 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.*



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August 15, 2023 at 01:21 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Julianna Finn Mannino.

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August 15, 2023 at 12:13 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.*



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August 15, 2023 at 12:13 PM



“ *Simon, April, and Pierre Bizien purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.*



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**Simon, April, and Pierre Bizien** - August 15, 2023 at 11:50 AM

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“ Timothy O. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Julianna Finn Mannino.

Timothy O. - August 15, 2023 at 11:22 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.



August 15, 2023 at 10:51 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.



August 14, 2023 at 11:35 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.



August 14, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ *Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.*



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August 14, 2023 at 07:41 PM



“ *Julianna and I were classmates at Mt. Carmel School of Nursing and have been friends ever since. She, along with Mary Connell, Sandy Alexander Gulian and Sharon Skwiers met every month for breakfast and friend sharing. We would go to my cottage in Oscoda every year for a few days for fun at the lake. Julianna was especially considerate to me when my husband passed away. I will miss her but I know she is with Jesus who she loved.*

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**Marilyn Lee** - August 14, 2023 at 07:37 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.*



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August 14, 2023 at 07:21 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Julianna Finn Mannino.*

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August 14, 2023 at 07:21 PM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.*



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August 14, 2023 at 05:38 PM



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“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.*



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August 14, 2023 at 05:38 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.*



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August 14, 2023 at 04:10 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Julianna Finn Mannino.

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August 14, 2023 at 03:29 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.*



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August 14, 2023 at 03:29 PM



“ *Julianna was both a good friend and neighbor for over 30 years. Our condolences to her family.*

*Lynn & Doug Allen*

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**Lynn & Doug Allen** - August 14, 2023 at 03:02 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.*



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August 14, 2023 at 02:20 PM



“ *The Investment Team at Thrivent purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.*



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**The Investment Team at Thrivent** - August 14, 2023 at 12:19 PM

FO

“ Dear Walker, Finn, and Mannino families:  
I am sorry to learn of Julianna's passing, even though it is a passing into Glory! I especially remember Julianna on Union Lake with our cottages next to each other. And the Walker family occasionally visiting our home on Hawthorne St. And am still appreciative of the Walker family hosting my father at their home in 1955-56. Please be assured of my prayers and my remembrance at the celebration of the Eucharist on Wednesday, though I cannot attend in person.  
Sincerely, your cousin Fr. Michael Chowning, OFM. [mchowning@friars.us](mailto:mchowning@friars.us)

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Fr. Michael Chowning, OFM - August 14, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Julianna Finn Mannino.



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August 14, 2023 at 07:18 AM

MC

“ Julianna and I were roommates our senior year at Mt Carmel Mercy Hospital School of Nursing in Detroit. She took me to her family cottage on the lake many a beautiful summer day, taught me how to water ski and also to ride a horse. She was very accomplished at both of these activities. Besides having so much fun and good times, we were both studious and studied together many evenings. We have gotten together with some of our nursing classmates on a monthly basis for breakfast these last few years, Julianna kept us up to date with many timely nursing articles. Thanks Julianna, you are with God now. I will miss you. Mary Connell

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Mary Connell - August 13, 2023 at 05:20 PM

DM

*I know she has been gone for a while, but I have just learned of her passing. Miss Finn was my nursing instructor at OCC and I had my first clinical with her at Mt. Carmel Hospital. I appreciate all the insight she gave me in Nursing and I will forever be thankful for her wisdom and faith in her students. Rest in peace Miss Finn.*

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**Dr. Terri Rohraff RN MSN** - March 21, 2024 at 07:18 PM