



Evelyn Matalone

June 12, 1933 - August 18, 2025

Evelyn Matalone, 92, of Topeka, Kansas passed away in August of 2025 at her home in Topeka, Kansas. She was born in Des Moines, Iowa to Orville and Elsie Gable and grew-up with her brothers Harold and Tom and her sister Mary Ann. She married her husband, John J. Matalone Sr., in October 1953 at Saint Anthony Catholic Church and they had seven children before moving to Topeka in 1964.

Evelyn was a homemaker and when the children were older, she worked at Southwestern Bell and the State of Kansas. She was a member of Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church since 1964 and cooked and provided meals for countless funeral services, served the eucharist at senior living facilities, was a devout participant in perpetual adoration and served meals at the soup kitchen. Evelyn and her family were survivors of the 1966 Topeka tornado, which destroyed their home on Twilight drive. Family was everything to Evelyn and a trip back to Des Moines every summer when the children were growing up was an annual event. Spaghetti dinners and her famous chocolate chip and Italian Guantis (pronounced "wandas") cookies were family favorites.

Evelyn is survived by her seven children, Mary (Joe) Elko, Hickory, North Carolina, John (Shelley) Matalone Jr., Topeka, Patricia (Larry) Cazier, Berryton, Kansas, Elizabeth (Brian) Braham, Louisburg, Kansas, Tony (Vivienne) Matalone, Topeka, Tammy (Greg) Henrikson, Brea, California,

Michael (Peggy) Matalone, Sedalia, Missouri; 12 grandchildren, and 21 great-grandchildren.

Rosary will be prayed at 9 a.m. visitation will follow until 10 a.m. with Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. all on Friday, August 22, 2025, at Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 3601 SW 17th Street, Topeka KS, 66604. Burial will follow immediately following Mass at Mount Calvary Catholic Cemetery, 801 SW Westchester Road, Topeka KS, 66606.

In lieu of flowers, memorials contributions may be made to Faith Home Health and Hospice or Team Blake Foundation, in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614

Condolences may be sent online at www.kevinbrennanfamily.com

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

801 SW Westchester Rd
Topeka, KS 66606

Previous Events

Rosary

AUG **22**. 9:00 AM (CT)

Most Pure Heart of Mary Church
3601 SW 17th Street
Topeka, KS 66604

Visitation

AUG **22**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

AUG **22**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Evelyn Matalone*



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - August 21, 2025 at 11:46 AM

TC

“ *The Firework Crew. purchased the Serene Retre at for the family of Evelyn Matalone.*



The Firework Crew. - August 21, 2025 at 09:07 PM

JC

“ *Jim Simaras and Diana Cahail purchased the En chanted Cottage for the family of Evelyn Matalone.*



Jim Simaras and Diana Cahail - August 21, 2025 at 03:43 PM

TD

“ Team Delta purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Evelyn Matalone.



Team Delta - August 21, 2025 at 10:29 AM

TD

“ Team Delta planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Evelyn Matalone.

Team Delta - August 21, 2025 at 10:29 AM

FE

“ FedEx purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Evelyn Matalone.



FedEx - August 21, 2025 at 10:28 AM

KN

“ Kevin Lehman and family Omaha NE purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Evelyn Matalone.



Kevin Lehman and family Omaha NE - August 21, 2025 at 08:07 AM

KN

“ Kevin Lehman and family Omaha NE planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Evelyn Matalone.

Kevin Lehman and family Omaha NE - August 21, 2025 at 08:07 AM

TB

“ The Lehmans: Michele and Brian purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Evelyn Matalone.



The Lehmans: Michele and Brian - August 19, 2025 at 02:56 PM

TB

“ The Lehmans: Michele and Brian planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Evelyn Matalone.

The Lehmans: Michele and Brian - August 19, 2025 at 02:56 PM

FG

“ From your Crew at SFCC/ GWD... purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Evelyn Matalone.



From your Crew at SFCC/ GWD... - August 19, 2025 at 02:51 PM