



## Slavizza Hendricks

April 6, 1924 - May 18, 2025

Slavizza was born on April 6, 1924, in Sempeter, Slovenia, which is a small country located next door to Italy. She was the daughter of Giuseppe Turel and Maria Furlan, who also had 2 sons, Giuseppe and Aloyzi. In 1951, she married Staff Sergeant Frank M. Hendricks of the US Army. After World War II, American and British troops were stationed in the region for peace keeping. During his long Army career, Frank was stationed for many years at the New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell, New Mexico. He retired from the Army as a Master Sergeant. They built a family life in that city and the family was active at St. Peter's Church and School. Their only child, Louis Lee, attended the school and graduated from the high school. Frank Hendricks was buried in the city cemetery in 1979. With deep love and commitment, a headstone was inscribed with both names at that time. Slavizza will be taken there after the funeral service on May 31 to rest next to her beloved husband. The burial service will be officiated by St. Peter Church (which is managed by the Franciscan Friars).

Slavizza was gifted by God with 2 grandchildren of her son: a daughter, Rae Lynn McClellan, and a son, Todd Booth Hendricks. She was very proud of her 7 wonderful great-grandchildren. Todd B and Leila M Hendricks of Smithfield, NC have 3 daughters: Cheyenne, Abigail, and Isabella. They were joined in February 2025 with the arrival of a son, Sawyer Lee. Slavizza looked forward to his birth very much and he was the last person that she hugged on this

earth. Rae Lynn and Matthew T McClellan of Wilmington, NC have 3 children. They are blessed with twins, a boy, Gavin, and a daughter, Ava. The family was joined later by a son, Wyatt.

Slavizza moved to Raleigh in 1996 to be with her son and grandchildren. She doted all her love on the grandchildren during their school years and was active with their events. She continued her Franciscan fellowship by joining St. Francis of Assisi Church. She helped to start the over-50 club, but her joy was singing in the choir at the 11:45 mass. Health problems over the last few years kept her away at times, but she would quickly return. This year she was limited to attending the Easter mass and the one on her birthday. She always thanked God for giving her 101 momentous years. But on Sunday, May 18, just at the time that she would have been going into St. Francis church for the 11:45 mass, God called her with a SPECIAL INVITATION.

The funeral service and mass will be held at St. Francis of Assisi Church on Saturday, May 31, 2025 at 2:00pm. Church is located at 11401 Leesville Rd, Raleigh. Visitation is in the church gathering space from 1:30 to 2:00 only.

(In lieu of flowers, you can send donations to Catholic Parish Outreach-[catholiccharitiesraleigh.org](http://catholiccharitiesraleigh.org)-. It does wonderful work in bringing food to the needy.)

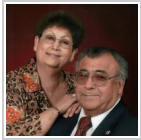
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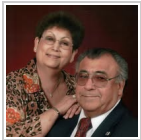
“ I sang with Slavizza in the St Peter’s choir for many years, she was a delightful person, always smiling, devoted, faithful to the catholic faith. My sincere condolences to her family. May the Good Lord grant them peace and comfort. My prayers for the repose of her sou

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**linda jones** - July 08, 2025 at 01:16 PM



“ Slavizza was a good friend, we both belonged to Catholic Daughters, and to Knights of Columbus auxiliary, we had a lot of good times together.

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**Esperanza N Raymond Otero** - June 05, 2025 at 02:26 AM



“ Esperanza N Raymond Otero lit a candle in memory of Slavizza Hendricks



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**Esperanza N Raymond Otero** - June 05, 2025 at 02:23 AM