



## Mrs. Juliana Theresa Bastian Rhoten

December 20, 2024

Mrs. Juliana Theresa Bastian Rhoten Juliana was born in New York City, the daughter of Gladys Grant Bastian and Julius J. Bastian. Her brother was Julius F. Bastian. Juliana was baptized, made her First Communion and Confirmation while attending Resurrection Catholic Church and school. She sang in the church choir, also.

Juliana attended St. Patrick's Cathedral High School, graduating with an award for never being absent or late. She went on to attend Hunter College, New York, where she received her BA and MS degrees. She became a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. at Hunter College. She married Marion C. Rhoten and moved to Milwaukee, WI. From that union their son, Don Carlos Rhoten was born.

Juliana began her teaching career with the Milwaukee Public Schools as an elementary teacher. Later, she served as a Reading Specialist and as a Principal. She conducted workshops, lectured at UW-Milwaukee campus, and inaugurated programs, such as, the Reading Resource Teacher program and the Visitor Technical Assistance program. This program brought educators from other states to view her film about MPS reading programs and to visit these programs. She administered the Multi-Media Home Education Project, which produced The Sound House, a weekly a radio program. Staff members visited parents and

their children, 1-5years, to demonstrate skills.

During her career, her assignments included Brown St. School, Central Office, Auer Ave School, Clarke St. School, 21st St. School, Ninth St. School and Parkview School. She attended Cardinal Stritch College, Marquette University and UW-Milwaukee, for additional graduate studies. She acquired her Administrative Leadership Certification from UW-Milwaukee.

Juliana was quite active in various organizations. As a member of the National Council of Teachers of English, she published articles and conducted workshops at their National Conventions. She was a member of the Early Childhood Association, also. Her published work was recognized by Stanford University in 1968. Her reading film was shown on Channel 10 WMVS and she appeared on Channel 12 WISN to discuss MPS reading programs. Juliana was selected by Wisconsin State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Barbara Thompson, to serve on a committee of eleven members, to review the criteria for Reading Specialist Certification in Wisconsin.

She was listed in The World Who's Who of Women, Who's Who in America, Who's Who of American Women, Who's Who in the Midwest and Who's Who in American Education. Juliana was a member of various organizations, such as, the International Reading Association, The Wisconsin Reading Association, Phi Delta Kappa International, the Administrative Women's Association, as president, the Wisconsin Retired Educators Association, a life member of the Metropolitan Milwaukee Association of Black School Educators, and the National Association of Elementary School Principals.

As a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Epsilon Kappa Omega Chapter, she became the president, a Pearl Soror and a life member. Juliana served with the Eisenhower Center, Inc. for many years, as a member of the Board of Directors.

She was an avid reader and enjoyed doing puzzles, attending the theater, travels around the world, classical and pop music and the company of many friends. She contributed to the NAACP, the Urban League, the United Negro College Fund, and numerous charitable groups.

Juliana loved God and her family. She made a positive difference in the lives of many people she encountered. She will be remembered for her wonderful smile and cheerful disposition. She was an active, nurturing, compassionate, dependable, dignified and intelligent human being.

She is survived by her son, Don Carlos (Jean) Rhoten and their six children; Caitlin (Larry) Robinson; Mackenzie Rhoten; Collin (Emma) Rhoten; Aaron Davel, Rachael (Jeff) West and Cheyenne Rhoten as well as six great grandchildren; Collin Rhoten Jr., Riley, Ensley and Elliana Davel; Elijah and Ben Robinson and many other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Wisconsin Memorial Park

13235 W. Capitol Dr.  
Brookfield, WI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 9. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Wisconsin Memorial Park Family Center  
12875 W. Capitol Drive  
Milwaukee, WI

## Funeral Service

JAN 9. 1:30 PM (CT)

Wisconsin Memorial Park Family Center  
12875 W. Capitol Drive  
Milwaukee, WI

# Tribute Wall



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mrs. Juliana Theresa Bastian Rhoten.

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January 09, 2025 at 11:34 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Juliana Theresa Bastian Rhoten.



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January 09, 2025 at 08:16 AM



“ *Soror Adina Johnson And All Your LAMBDA Sorors purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Mrs. Juliana Theresa Bastian Rhoten.*



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**Soror Adina Johnson And All Your LAMBDA Sorors -**  
January 08, 2025 at 09:27 AM

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“Juliana, Barbara Carson Alleyne and me were like three peas in a pod in our undergraduate days and thereafter. We spent time together and rode together on a Greyhound bus all the way to our first Boule in San Francisco as newly initiated Sorors of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. It was on that bus trip that Juliana met Marion, who right there and then became the love of her life. We teased her about her sudden romance then, but it lasted, and all came true in the end!

Adina Johnson - January 08, 2025 at 09:04 AM

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“Vesta members from Hunter College planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Juliana Teresa Bastian Rhoten.

Vesta members from Hunter College - January 02, 2025 at 06:08 PM



“Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Juliana Theresa Bastian Rhoten.



December 26, 2024 at 04:02 PM



“A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ms. Juliana Teresa Bastian Rhoten.

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