



Anna Hanneken

August 11, 1919 - December 6, 2009

Anna Maria Hanneken was born on August 11, 1919, to the late Friedrich and Anna (Richter) Bertelt on a manorial estate of Gut Calhorn near Essen in the province of Oldenburg, Germany. Her elementary school years were spent in Ankum, thereafter attending a specialized Home Economics School in Quakenbruck, Germany, bicycling 10 miles daily to get to school, then completing her post secondary education in an advanced Home Economics Academy in Ahlen, Westphalia, where she honed her cooking and baking skills and lifelong talents with embroidery and crocheting, under the guidance of her aunt, Sister Theonilla Bertelt of the Notre Dame Sisters. During WWII, Anna worked on the family farm in Mecklenburg, Germany, then returned to her childhood home at war's end. She was united in marriage to Gustav Anton Hanneken on January 21, 1947. In April of 1950, Anna, her husband and oldest son emigrated to America, via Southampton, England, on the S.S. Washington, landing in New York after a nine-day journey, joining her oldest brother, Henry and her parents in Buckman, MN, where she resided for the past 59 years. Anna cooked for the St. Michael's Parish school lunch program from 1954-1984, serving over 750,000 home-cooked meals, while also caring for her aging parents at home. Anna loved gardening, especially tending her flowers, crocheting, embroidery, and quilting. She had a lifelong devotion to the Blessed Virgin. She was also a 50-year member of the St. Michael's Christian Mothers. Anna and her husband traveled extensively throughout the U.S. in their retirement years, also traveling back to Germany many times to

visit relatives and friends. She took special delight in her grandchildren and great-grandchildren and cherished the times she spent with very dear friends

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 10. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Pierz
202 Main St. South
Pierz, MN

Visitation

DEC 11. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Little Falls
214 2nd Street SE
Little Falls, MN

Service

DEC 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Little Falls, MN

Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Anna Hanneken*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - December 06, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Anna Hanneken*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Miss you Tante Anne!!!##imported-begin##Nick Hefley##imported-end##*

December 13, 2009 at 03:01 AM



“ I will always remember Anna as a caring woman with a beautiful voice and smile. As a little girl I remember delivering eggs to her. Anna would invite my sister and me in for a quick visit and cookies. She blessed many people through her talents. The school lunches at St. Michael’s were wonderful. From apple crisp to peanut butter sandwiches, everything tasted great. My husband and I were married on December 28th. Our wedding gift from Anna was crocheted Christmas ornaments. They are hung on our tree each year with fond memories of Anna.

You are in my thoughts and prayers during this time of the loss of your loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.##imported-begin##Mary Jo (Kahl) Vickers##imported-end##

December 12, 2009 at 09:57 AM



“ Reine & family: My sympathies to you and your entire family. God Bless. Brenda##imported-begin##Brenda Block Koone##imported-end##

December 11, 2009 at 08:59 AM



“ Tante Anni, as we lovingly called her, was the only sister that my dad had, being born after 5 of her brothers. She always had a big heart and was very close to my dad, Heribert Bertelt. She wrote to him in prison camp in Siberia after the war and lovingly took care of him when he returned to her doorstep 3 years later. She nurtured and cared for him and helped bring him back to vibrant health. We will never forget that and appreciate all she did for him. She moved to America a few years before my parents moved there in 1954. When my parents arrived in the US, Tante Anni welcomed them and helped them get settled in Buckman. I am the oldest child and remember her from my early years. We moved to Tennessee when I was almost 5 years old and we didn't see much of each other, although there was always a strong bond there. I remember my first visit back to MN when I was just a teenager, enjoying her sweet, loving manner. There were several trips throughout the years to her home; once when I was in college; then at Rosi's wedding; then at her and Gus's 40th wedding anniversary; several trips with my husband and children, and most recently in 2007 for Rosi's daughters wedding. Each time, she made me feel so welcome & I realized what a jewel she was. I treasure the hand made items that she made for me. All her siblings had pre-deceased her, 2 of them making it into the 90's along with her. This generation saw and lived through a lot. What brave souls they were to live through the war and then leave the life they knew and come to this country. Tante Anni never complained and always took a positive attitude, a trait I hope to carry on with me. She will be fondly remembered by me and my siblings. Our memories of her will live on and we she will always be close to our hearts. We love you, Tante Anni. Love,
Leonie###imported-begin##Leonie Hefley###imported-end##

December 11, 2009 at 12:28 AM



“ I, too, have wonderful memories of helping Anna at St. Michael's during grade school. She always had a huge smile on her face and made us feel special and important. My recipe box today lovingly holds a couple favorite recipes that she was willing to share with me. Heaven has been blessed with a wonderful lady.##imported-begin##Michelle (Gall) Sura##imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 09:24 PM



“ Anna was the best cook that I can remember. She was so proud of the fact, whatever she made it was homemade, and we enjoyed her cooking and smile so much. She was kind, and very loving. I was saddened to hear of her passing. May she rest peacefully.....gail miller##imported-begin##gail miller december 10th. 2009 ##imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 08:56 PM



“ I have so many fond memories of Dear Anna, grade school-helping out in the kitchen making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, and help serving the lunches, having her as a neighbor when I first got married, and lived in Buckman. The mission circle, playing cards, learning crochet patterns from Anna, I could go on and on.... I learned a lot from this grand lady..I feel very honored to have known Anna...
Her smile was always the best...she loved people and always took the time to be interested in what was happening in our lives..
My thoughts and prayers are with all of you,,I will cherish the memories...My Deepest Sympathy...Gloria##imported-begin##Gloria M. Kjorsvik##imported-end##

December 10, 2009 at 10:43 AM



“ Anna has always been in my heart and she will be greatly missed. She was such a nice cook when I was in grade school & she meant a lot to me. I have recently reconnected with her when she was staying in St. Otto's. I enjoyed our visits even though they weren't always very long. I will miss seeing her when I am there visiting my grandpa. I cherish the potholders she crocheted and gave to me. One of them is hung in my kitchen and each time I see it I think of her. I will never forget her.##imported-begin##Karla (Posch) Virnig##imported-end##

December 09, 2009 at 10:00 PM



“ I have many fond memories of working with Mrs. Hanneken in the St Michael's School cafeteria when I was in grade school. She had a vivacious smile and encouraging attitude that made it a joy to be there and assist her. My deepest sympathies to her entire family as I know she will be missed greatly.##imported-begin##Judy (Scholl) Terhaar##imported-end##

December 08, 2009 at 08:19 PM