



LaVina Langer

September 22, 1919 - January 1, 2017

LaVina Langer, 97 year old resident of Pierz, MN passed away Sunday, January 1, 2017 at Quiet Oaks Hospice House in St. Augusta, MN. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 A.M. on Saturday, January 7, 2017 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Pierz, MN with Father Kenneth Popp officiating. Burial will take place in the St. Joseph's Parish Cemetery in Pierz, MN. A visitation will be held from 4-8 P.M. on Friday and from 9-10 A.M. on Saturday at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Pierz, MN. A Christian Mother's Rosary will be held at 4:30 P.M. on Friday at the Funeral Home. Funeral arrangements are with the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Pierz, MN.

LaVina was born on September 22, 1919 on the family farm in Pierz Township, Morrison County, Minnesota. She was the first-born child to Frank X. & Theresa (Flicker) Gruber. She grew up in Genola and helped her parents at the Gruber's Family Grocery Store. She graduated from Little Falls High School in 1938.

LaVina attended Beauty School in Minneapolis. Her first cosmetology employment was in Brainerd. LaVina and her sister Lucille moved to Seattle during World War II and LaVina worked as a beautician. They both returned to Minnesota in the fall of 1945 following the end of the war.

LaVina was united in marriage to W. "Pete" Langer on January 22, 1946 at St.

Joseph's Catholic Church in Pierz. The couple raised their 4 sons & 1 daughter in Pierz. LaVina owned and operated "LaVina's Beauty Shop" out of her home and retired in 1983.

LaVina enjoyed the years they spent with family and friends at their lake cabin on Mille Lacs Lake & their deer hunting land north of Bemidji.

LaVina was a gentle and devoted wife, mother, grandmother & great-grandmother. She loved flowers and a manicured yard. She was known for her delicious cookies and bars, beautifully hand-stitched embroidery and wonderful warm blankets. She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and a longtime member of St. Joseph's Christian Mothers.

LaVina is survived by her children; Gary (Sheila) of Medina, MN, Glen (Diane) of Little Falls, MN, Dale (Wendy) of New Berlin, WI, Dean (Sharon) of Becker, MN, Sandra (Glenn) of St. Joseph, MN; 11 grandchildren, Dennis, Jason, Chad, Aaron, Ben, Luke, Mike & Tim Langer, Jennifer Kiley, Amie Gale and Darrin Pence; 20 great-grandchildren, Sam, Madeline, Noah, Mason, Georgia, Emily, Elisa, Sydney, Mia, Brody, Julianna, Lexi, Ava, Briella, Cecilia, Eli, Nora, Lucy LaVina, Audrey and Abby; sisters, Dellie Stoll and Lila (Norman) Thielen; brothers, Gene (Millie) and Fred (Marge) and sisters-in-law; Julia & Rita Langer.

LaVina was preceded in death by her husband, Pete (Wilfred) in 2003; sisters, Lucille Langer, Lone Roberts and one infant sister.

In lieu of flowers, donations are requested to Quiet Oaks Hospice in St. Augusta, MN.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph's Cemetery

Pierz, MN

Previous Events

Service

JAN 7. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Joseph's Catholic Church
68 North Main Street
Pierz, MN

Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of LaVina Langer*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - January 03, 2017 at 11:01 AM



“ *LaVina Langer*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *What sweet memories I have of LaVina. As I was growing up, I went to her so often for haircuts and perms, and every time she was so pleasant and so easy to talk to. And over the years, as I returned to Pierz for family gatherings, she always greeted me warmly. She had such a kind, gentle spirit that made visiting with her especially lovely.*

Although LaVina lived a long life, it is nevertheless painful to say goodbye to such a beautiful loving mother. But remember that you will now carry her in your hearts for the rest of your lives, and Sandy will continue to smile just like her mother.

With our deepest sympathies,

Maureen and Jerry McCarter

Maureen McCarter - January 05, 2017 at 06:32 PM

BB

“ Our deepest sympathy to the whole family. Your mother was a very special lady, one of the classiest ladies in Pierz! I remember my mother(Verena) visiting her each week to get her hair done. I also remember being in the Hospital one time when I was very young and my Mom wasn't able to leave work to be with me so LaVina came to Little Falls to see me and brought me some gifts too! I'm sure all of your special memories will bring you much comfort and peace. I enjoyed watching the video and seeing the pictures, wish we could be there to see each of you. We will be making a donation to Quiet Oaks in her memory.
Brian and Marge Bauerly

Brian and Marge Bauerly - January 05, 2017 at 01:53 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of LaVina Langer.



January 03, 2017 at 07:17 PM



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Lemieux Funeral Homes - January 03, 2017 at 01:17 PM

EG

“ ED&DIANE GRUBER lit a candle in memory of LaVina Langer



ED&DIANE GRUBER - January 03, 2017 at 11:48 AM

DK

“ Dianne Kronbeck lit a candle in memory of LaVina Langer



Dianne Kronbeck - January 02, 2017 at 11:47 PM

DS

“ Don & Lynn St.Onge lit a candle in memory of LaVina Langer



Don & Lynn St.Onge - January 02, 2017 at 09:38 PM

MB

“ Saying goodbye to a gentle and loving grandma who will be deeply missed by all 🙏❤️



Mike, Jeni, Lexi & Briella - January 02, 2017 at 05:37 PM

JK

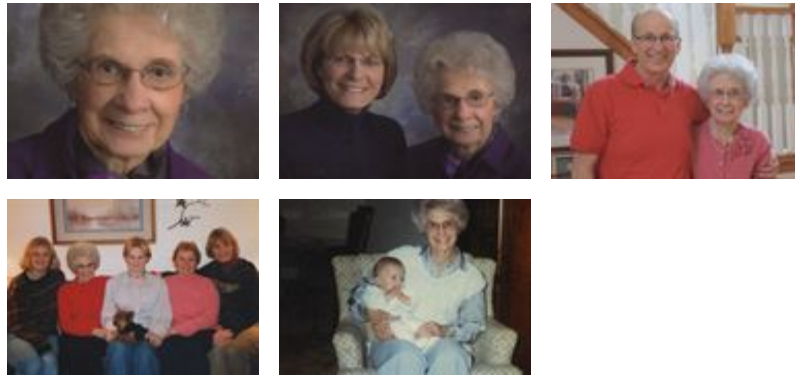
“ *Jan Kummet lit a candle in memory of LaVina Langer*



Jan Kummet - January 02, 2017 at 05:30 PM



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Lemieur Funeral Homes - January 02, 2017 at 03:52 PM