



Margaret Pappenfus

February 24, 1922 - December 8, 2016

Margaret Marion Pappenfus was received into the loving arms of our Lord on December 8, 2016 at Little Falls Care Center at the age of 94. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:30 A.M. on Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Little Falls, MN with Father Joe Herzing officiating. Burial will take place in St. Mary's Parish Cemetery in Little Falls, MN. A visitation will be held from 4-8 P.M. on Tuesday and from 10-11 A.M. on Wednesday at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN. A parish prayer service will be held at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday evening at the Funeral Home. Funeral arrangements are with the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN.

Margaret was born in Little Falls to Louis and Ida (LeMieur) LaFond on February 24, 1922, the youngest of 5 children. She graduated from Little Falls High School in 1939 and attended St Cloud Teachers college. Margaret worked for a time as a teller at the American National Bank while she waited and prayed for her high school sweetheart to return from war in Europe. She and Gene were married on February 12, 1946 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Little Falls and shared the next 66 years of their lives together. They raised three children in a home where there was always love, good food, and black labs. Mom was first a homemaker and mom and second a partner in the family business of Pap's Sport Shop where her official title was "owner's boss".

Margaret was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and was actively involved in Christian Mothers and Daughters of Isabella, a member of the Hospital Auxiliary and volunteer at St Gabriel's Hospital, American Legion and VFW Auxiliary.

Mom enjoyed hunting and fishing with their family and friends, golfing, bowling, bridge club and coffee around the kitchen table with the ladies in the neighborhood. She and Dad enjoyed time together with friends in Texas where they spent many winters after retirement and summers at their cabin on Fishtrap Lake. Getting together with that group of longtime friends known as the "Orr House Gang" for snowmobiling up north or fun by the lake in the summer was one of Mom's favorite things. She and Gene were recipients of the Exchange Club 'Book of Golden Deeds' Award in 1983 for their service and dedication to our community.

Margaret is survived by her son; Tom (Ruth) Pappenfus; daughters, Paulette Pappenfus and Mary Kistler, all of Little Falls; her dear four-legged companion Peggy Sue, four grandchildren; Chris (Allison) of Omaha, Ne., Merilea (Joel) Osterlund of Rochester, MN., Jeremy (Jessie) of Whitefish, MT, and Tasa (Ryan) Heilman of Columbia Heights, MN; and nine great-grandchildren, Jeremiah, Anna, Ryan, Brendan, Micah, Laelia, Roan, Harper, Arlo, all of whom will miss her cheerful and sweet spirit and her cookies.

Mom was preceded in death by her parents, brothers; Steve and Leroy LaFond; sisters, Doris Russel and Gladys Ethen; her loving husband Gene; and sons-in-law, John Hewit, Duff Leikvol and Will Kistler.

She will be remembered as the greatest Gramma ever.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to the Morrison County Food Shelf.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery - Little Falls

14637 138th Street
Little Falls, MN 56345

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **13**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Service

DEC **14**. 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church - Little Falls
305 4th Street SE
Little Falls, MN

Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Margaret Pappenfus*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - December 12, 2016 at 11:04 AM



“ *Margaret Pappenfus*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ *Margaret was the kindest lady and she liked to have fun. We had a lot of good times after our D of I meetings. Margaret always had a smile on her face, always to the time to listen to anyone who wanted her advice. I remember all the times Margaret, Geri Brown, and I would go and deliver presents at Christmas to the needy and group homes. The great feeling of giving to others. Those two ladies taught me much. I could go on and on. My deepest sympathy to the family and thanks for sharing your Mom with many.*

Gloria M. Kjorsvik

Gloria Kjorsvik - December 12, 2016 at 11:48 AM



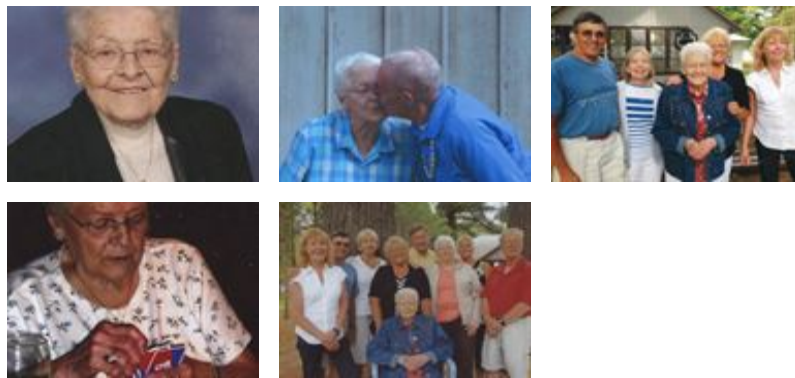
“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Margaret Pappenfus.*



December 12, 2016 at 11:20 AM



“ *45 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - December 12, 2016 at 10:55 AM



“ *Mrs. Pap was so pleasant and cheerful every time I talked with her, over many years, and such a beautiful lady. Those who knew her better were even more blessed, but I was fortunate to know her also. She is a great example of how to be a very good person.*

Jim Wright - December 11, 2016 at 06:50 PM

RC

“ Ruth and Brian Karnowski, Cher Purvis, Vince Copa purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Margaret Pappenfus.



Ruth and Brian Karnowski, Cher Purvis, Vince Copa -
December 10, 2016 at 01:14 PM



“ Mrs. Pap was so kind, and so patient. She reached out to everyone around her with such a spirit of generosity. It was such a pleasure to grow up with people such as Margaret in my life. Her spirit lives on in our joyful memories of her. She will be missed.

Ruth Karnowski - December 10, 2016 at 01:05 PM

BK

“ She was one of the nicest people I ever knew. We had the cabin next to theirs on Fishtrap Lake and she always treated the chubby little boy next door very well. I have nothing but fond memories of her!

Brian Karnowski - December 09, 2016 at 06:42 PM

CP

“ Will always remember her running over to Karnowski's cabin with treats out at Fish Trap Lake. Mrs. Pap was so sweet and I loved talking to her whenever we met in town or at the Lake. Many happy memories from the Lake and watching all the goings on at the Orr House Parties. I know her family will miss her so much. You are all in my thoughts.

*Much Love
Cher Purvis*

cher purvis - December 09, 2016 at 06:39 PM

JH

“ *Judy Herman lit a candle in memory of Margaret Pappenfus*



Judy Herman - December 09, 2016 at 04:59 PM

JH

RIP Muggsy!!

Judy Herman - December 09, 2016 at 05:00 PM

DP

What a wonderfully pleasant woman who always made your feel important and welcome at the store. Just a pure pleasure to talk with. D Ploof

D Ploof - December 11, 2016 at 06:56 PM

CL

“ We are so very sorry for the huge loss of your loved one
Charlie and Dianne Ledbetter



Charlie and Dianne Ledbetter - December 08, 2016 at 08:22 PM

CB

“ *Char & John Berns lit a candle in memory of Margaret Pappenfus*



Char & John Berns - December 08, 2016 at 07:10 PM

TS

“ *The Beam's ~ Ron, Jeanne, Peter And Sam lit a candle in memory of Margaret Pappenfus*



The Beam's ~ Ron, Jeanne, Peter and Sam - December 08, 2016 at 03:27 PM

BC

“ *Becky (Kay) & Gary Court lit a candle in memory of Margaret Pappenfus*



Becky (Kay) & Gary Court - December 08, 2016 at 01:17 PM

JW

“ Jerry & Faye Waltman lit a candle in memory of Margaret Pappenfus



Jerry & Faye Waltman - December 08, 2016 at 12:29 PM



“ Patti Hammerbeck lit a candle in memory of Margaret Pappenfus



Patti Hammerbeck - December 08, 2016 at 10:44 AM

SW

“ Sandy Wright-Olson sent a virtual gift in memory of Margaret Pappenfus



Sandy Wright-Olson - December 08, 2016 at 10:36 AM

SW

“ Rest in peace sweet Margaret. My heart is breaking for your family who will miss you so much.,but am happy for you that you will spend this Christmas in Heaven with the love of your life "the Great Eugenie". You have left me with so many wonderful memories, thank you dear lady. Love you Sandy



Sandy Wright-Olson - December 08, 2016 at 10:35 AM