



Kathryn Marion (Gempler) Phillipps

June 15, 1925 - October 19, 2015

Kathryn Marion Phillipps, age 90, of Albany, formerly of Monroe, passed away on Monday, October 19, 2015, at Valley Park Assisted Living, Albany. She was born on June 15, 1925 on the Gempler family farm, rural Blanchardville, WI, the daughter of Fredrick and Wilhelmina (Kainz) Mayer Gempler. She married Wade L. Phillipps on August 19, 1943 at the United Methodist Parsonage, Brodhead, WI. He passed away on July 22, 1994. Kathryn loved spending time with her twin sister Josephine, her husband and family, dancing, especially with her husband, and playing cards. She worked as a nurses aide for 18 years at St. Clare Hospital, Monroe, WI, while birthing and raising 11 children and farming at the same time. She was a member of St. Victor's Catholic Church, Monroe. She is survived by her children, Sharon Wolter, Brodhead, Nathan (Vicki) Phillipps, Steve (Ann) Phillipps, Joe Phillipps, all of Monroe, WI, Debra (Wayne) Sweeney, Julie (Joe) Jones, Mary (Luke) Hansen, Wade Phillipps Jr., all of Juda, WI, Thomas (Lynn) Phillipps, Appleton, WI, Kathryn (Gene) Wire, Winslow, IL; beloved niece and nephew, Theresa (Robert) Dye, Monroe, WI; sisters-in-law, Margaret (Clyde) Davis, Juda, WI, Josephine Fransen, Albany, WI; 48 grandchildren and 40 great-grandchildren, 4 great great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, step-father, Casper Mayer, husband, a daughter, Susan Margaret, twin sister, Josephine, sisters, Anne (Bart) Pickett, Margaret (Maurice) Cleary; brothers, Fredrick (Mae) Jr., Carl (Florence), August ♦Dutch♦ (Lillian), Leo (Anna), and Robert (Ruth)

Sr.;brother-in-law, Clarence Fransen; in-laws, Alfred (Lottie Greene) Phillipps; and a son-in-law, Richard Wolter Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, October 24, 2015, at St. Victor's Catholic Church, Monroe, WI, with Father Michael Klarer presiding. Burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery, Brodhead, WI. Visitation will be held from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m., Friday, October 23, 2015, at the D.L. NEWCOMER FUNERAL HOME, BRODHEAD, WI, and from 9:30 a.m. until time of services at the church. A memorial fund will be established. ♦

Tribute Wall

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“ How do we express our sympathy to those who knew Katie best? We were blessed to be a small part of her life, yet she seemed like family to us. Katie was there when my first two children were born, gentle and smiling as she cared for me after delivery. You knew she cared about what she did at work and at home. How could anyone raise such a wonderful family without being a wonderful person herself?

Looking back, I can only remember being around her a handful of times. It was enough to know that being part of her family was a blessing indeed! She had a great sense of humor and could be feisty as well and her love was genuine. Knowing her children was like knowing Katie. You all are kind, thoughtful and caring, just like her. I know you will all be there for each other; giving comfort, sharing memories and tears. The best way to honor her is to live life the way she did. Make the most of every day, be happy in life and best of all know that your parents are watching over you all. Most of all "remember to dance". Love and hugs to you all, Denise.

Denise and Richard Ford - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

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“ Phillipps Family,
I was saddened to hear of the passing of Grandma Phillipps. Grandma and Grandpa Phillipps were wonderful people who I spent a lot of time with growing up, since Jacinda and I were inseparable. I have so many wonderful memories with your family - especially being called Gabby by everyone!! Thanks for always including my with your family!! Hugs and love to you all!!

Traci (Gabby) Gerber Weckerly - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

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“ We are so sorry for your loss. What a legacy she has left behind. Cherish your memories. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Terry and Jana McKinney - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

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“ Deepest sympathy to Katie's family. I worked on the "night owl" shift at the hospital. She was one of the sweetest and kindest people. She always had a smile and kind word for everyone.

Sharon Eisch - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM

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“ MONET'S GARDEN TABLE BASKET was sent by Denise and Rick Ford, Georgia. My deepest sympathy for the loss of a very special lady. Katie will be in my heart forever. She was a neat woman that grew a garden of wonderful children. Our thoughts are with you all and I am giving hugs from afar. Love you all, Denise and Rick Ford

Denise M Ford - May 10, 2021 at 11:10 AM