



## Rosemary (Drew) Flynn

November 30, 1923 - May 27, 2017

Rosemary Flynn, 93, passed gently into eternal rest on Saturday, May 27, 2017, and joined her husband, Tom. Rosemary was born November 30, 1923, in Magnolia, the daughter of Talbot and Rose (Heffron) Drew. After graduating from high school, she worked at Parker Pen in Janesville for a number of years. Rosemary married Tom Flynn on June 9, 1945, at St. Augustine's Catholic Church in Footville and was especially proud to be marrying another of Irish descent. During their 67 years of marriage, they worked side by side in their endeavors. These included the opening of Flynn's Tap in Albany in 1960, Flynn's Bar and Restaurant in Brodhead in 1963, and Flynn's Bar and Restaurant in Monticello in 1974. They may be most remembered for their Friday Night Fish Fry. Rosemary worked many long hours in their family businesses and also at home caring for their seven children. After their children were grown, Rosemary accompanied her husband to several conventions across the country while Tom held the position of President of the South Central Wisconsin Tavern League for 25 years, President of the State Tavern League beginning in 1981, and President of the National Licensed Beverage Association starting in 1987. But, their favorite and most memorable trip was to Ireland. Rosemary was a very compassionate and generous person. If she was aware that any patrons had no place to go on a holiday, they were invited to the Flynn home to join her family. She was also known to give away a few meals from time to time in their establishment. She always put others before herself and could find good in everybody. Rosemary is

survived by four sons: Richard (Cathy) Flynn, Brodhead; Dan (LaVon) Flynn, Oregon; Michael Flynn, Ft. Walton Beach, FL; and Thomas Flynn, Jr., Bloomington, IL; two daughters: Rosalie Clark and Ann (Tom) Richmond, Brodhead; 15 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; one great-great grandchild; one sister-in-law, Sis Drew, Janesville; and one brother-in-law, Jim Flynn, Janesville; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Tom, in 2012; son, Patrick, in 2003; parents in 1950; daughter-in-law, Rena; four brothers and sisters-in-law: Jim (Margaret), Tom (Doris), Daniel (Dard), and Joe; and three sisters and brothers-in-law: Margaret (Mike) Collins, Mary (Sam) Saevre, and Charlotte (Ed) Dunn. Rosemary had a quiet demeanor, but a strong presence. She will be greatly missed. Visitation will be held at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 31, 2017, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. at St. Rose Catholic Church, Brodhead with Father Michael Moon presiding. Burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery. Friends and relatives are invited to a luncheon in the church basement after the interment. The Newcomer Funeral Home, Brodhead, is assisting the family. The family would like to express their heartfelt thanks to Steve, Jodi, Vicki, and staff at Caring Hands for the compassionate care and friendship they provided our mother during the time she was there. ♦ Also, thank you to Monroe Clinic Hospice for their support and help in her final days. An Old Irish Blessing May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind always be at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face, and rains fall soft upon your fields. And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

# Tribute Wall

DW

“ We are so sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. Please accept our sincere sympathies to all. May all of your cherished memories help you through the sad days to come.

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**Dean and Nancy Walters** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

DW

“ A candle was lit by Dean and Nancy Walters  
on May 27, 2017 3:23 PM

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**Dean and Nancy Walters** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

DK

“ A candle was lit by Doug and Janice Knight  
on May 28, 2017 10:35 PM

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**Doug and Janice Knight** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

DW

“ A candle was lit by Don and Brenda Wahl  
on May 29, 2017 7:19 AM

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**Don and Brenda Wahl** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

CZ

“ A candle was lit by Carl and Susan Zweifel  
on May 29, 2017 7:27 AM

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**Carl and Susan Zweifel** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

WS

“ A candle was lit by Wendy and Randy Schupbach

on May 29, 2017 7:37 AM

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Wendy and Randy Schupbach - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

MH

“ A candle was lit by Mark, Bobette, and Hailey

on May 29, 2017 8:58 AM

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Mark, Bobette, and Hailey - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

SK

“ Rosemary sure had a kind heart, she was such a caring friend to many, we're both very sorry your loss!

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Steve n Tami Keller - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

DN

“ A candle was lit by Donna Niedermeier

on May 29, 2017 1:11 PM

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Donna Niedermeier - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

BM

“ A candle was lit by Bruce and Sandy Miller

on May 29, 2017 4:09 PM

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Bruce and Sandy Miller - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

ZH

“ A candle was lit by Zeke and Lynette Huffman

on May 29, 2017 4:26 PM

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**Zeke and Lynette Huffman** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

ZH

“ Our heartfelt condolences to your family. Losing a parent is always hard, but all of the wonderful memories of them never leave us.

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**Zeke & Lynette Huffman** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

DF

“ A candle was lit by Doug and Kathy Foslin

on May 29, 2017 6:06 PM

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**Doug and Kathy Foslin** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

DF

“ A candle was lit by Doug and Kathy Foslin

on May 29, 2017 6:28 PM

*We are sorry to hear about your loss. We are thinking and praying for all of you. Time and memories will heal all. God Bless.*

*Post a reply*

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**Doug and Kathy Foslin** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

BO

“ A candle was lit by BARBARA OLSON-MENEHAN

on May 29, 2017 7:44 PM

*So sorry for your loss but due to other appointment I can not be at the visitation. My prayers are with all of you and if there is anything I can do please let me know. Both your parents were good friends of our parents .*

*Post a reply*

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**BARBARA OLSON-MENEHAN** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

PR

“ *Our prayers are sent to your family. May your mother and grandmother now be at peace.*

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**Peggy Phillips and Ron** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

DB

“ A candle was lit by Denny and Brenda

on May 29, 2017 8:11 PM

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**Denny and Brenda** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

GM

“ A candle was lit by Gary and Mary Mason

on May 29, 2017 9:35 PM

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**Gary and Mary Mason** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

ES

“ An A GARDEN PATH was ordered on May 30, 2017

Expression of Sympathy - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

PR

“ So sorry for your loss.

Paul Reavis - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

VZ

“ A candle was lit by Virginia Zahn

on May 30, 2017 7:27 AM

Virginia Zahn - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

JN

“ A candle was lit by Julian Nordeng

on May 30, 2017 9:29 AM

Julian Nordeng - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

CR

“ A candle was lit by Colleen Riese

on May 30, 2017 9:30 AM

Colleen Riese - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

SF

“ A candle was lit by steve and chrissty foslin

on May 30, 2017 2:03 PM

steve and chrissty foslin - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

JF

“ *A candle was lit by Judy and Everett Fowler*

*on May 30, 2017 4:16 PM*

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**Judy and Everett Fowler** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

DW

“ *A candle was lit by Diana and Ken Williams*

*on May 30, 2017 4:26 PM*

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**Diana and Ken Williams** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

WP

“ *Ken and Diana Williams*

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**We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know you are in our hearts and prayers.** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

LW

“ *So sorry to hear of Rosemary's passing on. Lots of memories when a child with Tom Rosemary and kids. Our deepest sympathy to the family. God Bless All Randy and Lucille Whiteaker*

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**Lucille Whiteaker** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

JF

“ *She was truly a woman that loved people and especially was a great help to her husband and his leadership in so many things. She loved her family and I know you will miss her smiles and encouragement. May the Lord comfort you in your time of sorrow. She lived a full life and left behind many memories for you to embrace.*  
*My deepest sympathies and prayers for all of you, Juanita Flater*

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**Juanita Flater** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

BS

“ *A candle was lit by Bruce and Shirley Sutherland*  
*on May 31, 2017 8:55 PM*

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**Bruce and Shirley Sutherland** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

LH

“ *To the entire Flynn family, you were blessed with a special Mom & Grandma. What a lovely tribute her obituary is to her life. My deepest condolences to you all. I hold special memories of both Rosemary and Tom. Great people!!*

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**LouAnn Harmel** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

MA

“ *A candle was lit by Mary Allen*  
*on June 5, 2017 10:31 AM*

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**Mary Allen** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM

MA

“ So sorry to hear about your mother passing. I was out of town and just saw the obit otherwise I would have been there. Rosemary was a every kind and loving person she will be missed.

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**Mary Allen** - May 18, 2021 at 12:55 PM