



THEODORA "TEDDY" VON ARX

September 16, 1930 - January 14, 2024

Theodora Marcia "Teddy" (Fregin) Von Arx, 93, of Caledonia passed away peacefully on January 14, 2024. Teddy was born September 16, 1930 to Theodore A. Fregin and Elizabeth M. (Taylor) Fregin. She grew up in La Crosse, WI and graduated from Aquinas High School in 1948. Teddy married William V. "Bill" Von Arx on August 11, 1956 at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in La Crosse. She worked for a short time as a secretary prior to having children. They briefly lived in Cottage Grove, MN, and La Crescent, MN before settling in Caledonia, MN. The Catholic faith was of utmost importance to her. She had a strong work ethic. She was a devoted mother, homemaker, excellent cook, avid gardener, and enjoyed caring for all kinds of plants. She loved to read, especially mysteries and historical novels. She enjoyed playing the piano, and at family gatherings, she and Bill loved singing with relatives. She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church where she and Bill sang in the choir for many years. She also participated in many parish activities.

Teddy is survived by seven children, William of Winona, MN, Nancy (Pete) Sotkowski of Madison, WI, Joseph (Beth) of Rockford, IL, Stephen (Anita) of St. Charles, MN, Christopher (Christina Viehauser) of Van Wert, IA, Erika (Dan) Lind of Peterson, MN, and Francesca (Dave) Ortmeier of La Crosse, WI. She has been blessed with 25 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. She is further survived by sisters Frannie Von Arx of Houston, MN, and Susie Sanford of North Port, AL, and sister-in-law, Dolores Benz of Portland, OR.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Bill, grandson, Maximilian Von Arx, great-grandson Aden Gervais, her parents, her sister, Liz (George) Von Arx, her brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Richard Sandford, Alfred (Evelyn) Von Arx, Otto (Marge) Von Arx, Paul (Betty) Von Arx, Bernice (Don) Cavanaugh, Walter (Rita) Von Arx, Marguerite (Les) Sheehan, Jacob (Jean) Von Arx, Helen (Bill) Hoskins, Joseph (Phyllis) Von Arx, Don Benz, Francis Von Arx, and Rita (Bill) Hayes.

A Mass of Christian Burial officiated by Fr. Andrew Vogel will be at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Caledonia, MN on Saturday, February 3rd at 11:00 a.m. Public visitation will be at Holy Family Hall adjacent to St. Mary's Church at 9:30 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to St. Mary's Church and St. Mary's School.

Teddy's family would like to thank Eagle Crest South and Gundersen Hospice Staff for their care, and family and friends for their constant prayers, love, and support.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 3. 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Holy Family Hall
513 South Pine St.
Caledonia, MN 55921

Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
513 S Pine St
Caledonia, MN 55921
(507) 725-3804

Tribute Wall

SF

“ *My Sincere Condolences to the Von Arx family. I have wonderful memories of singing together with Teddy & Bill at St. Mary's choir for many years! May God bless you with healing and peace! Susie*

Susie Frank - February 03, 2024 at 11:47 AM

KK

“ *Many but always remember chasing around after our boys playing in a band where alcoholic beverages were served. The boys were underage, but music followed them both for many years to come. Or should I say they followed music for many years to come. Good times and good conversation! Kay*

Kay Kies - January 24, 2024 at 06:07 PM

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“ *1 file added to the album family*



Bernie - January 24, 2024 at 11:42 AM

JG

“ *Nancy and Von Arx Family,
May the many fond memories of your Mother continue to live on.
Love the photos, too!*

Dan & Jeanne (Ingvalson) Gade

Jeanne Gade - January 19, 2024 at 06:13 PM

WS

“ Such fond childhood memories of the Von Arx family as part of our fun neighborhood. Teddy kept things rolling & she & Bill sure raised a nice family. What a legacy to leave on. RIP Teddy!

Wilma Schoh - January 19, 2024 at 11:34 AM

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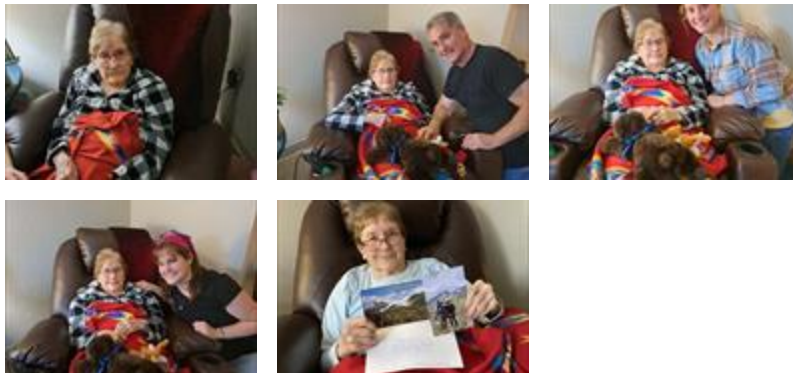
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Francesca Ortmeier - January 18, 2024 at 09:57 PM

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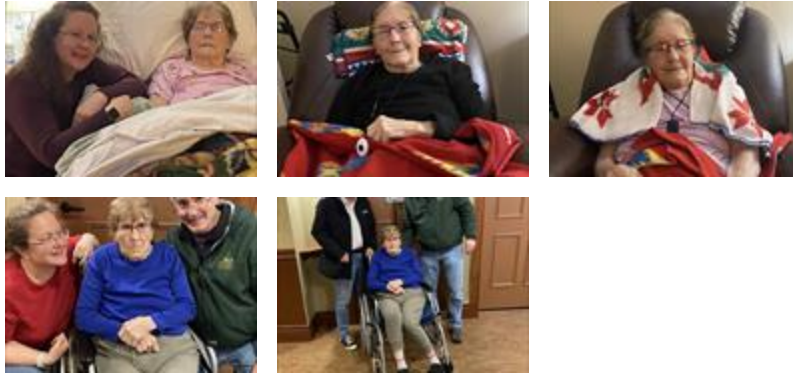
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Francesca Ortmeier - January 18, 2024 at 09:45 PM

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