



Mary Margaret Pudwill

June 26, 1919 - May 31, 2012

Mary Margaret Pudwill, 92, Bismarck, died May 31, 2012, at the Baptist Home in Bismarck. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Tuesday at 10:00 AM at Church of St. Anne in Bismarck with Rev. Jason Signalness officiating. Burial will be at St. Mary's Cemetery. Visitation will be Monday from 4:00 - 8:00 PM at Eastgate Funeral Service where a Catholic Daughters Rosary will be held at 7:00 PM followed by a vigil service. Visitation will continue on Tuesday one hour prior to the service at the church. Mary Margaret was born on June 26, 1919, in Wagner, SD, to John Valentine and Mary Belinda Moran Wilhelm. She attended school in Parkston, SD, and Wishek, ND, and graduated from high school in Eureka, SD. She graduated from St. Joseph's School of Nursing in 1940 in Mitchell, SD. Mary Margaret worked at St. John's Hospital in St. Paul, MN, and Eureka General Hospital in Eureka, SD, before her marriage to Leo Dale Pudwill on January 10, 1942, in Leola, SD. Leo served in the U.S. Army in the European 4th Armored Division. When he returned, they made their home in Bismarck where Mary Margaret lived since 1943. She was employed at Roen and Straus Clinic for three years and then as night supervisor at the Baptist Home for twenty years. Mary Margaret was a member of Church of St. Anne, St. Anne's Circle, Catholic Daughters of America Immaculate Conception #322, and the Catholic Nurses Association. She enjoyed reading, painting, working word puzzles, and creating hand crafts, especially projects requiring crocheting, knitting, and embroidery. She crocheted over 250 prayer blankets and continued crocheting while residing at

the Baptist Home. She loved her family and had a very warm, special bond with her grandchildren. Mary Margaret is survived by two daughters and sons-in-law, Margaret Lee and Roger Koenig of Jamestown, ND, and Mary Elizabeth and Larry Thelen of Bismarck; one son and daughter-in-law, Marshall Leo and Nila Pudwill of Bismarck; seven grandchildren, Michelle Koenig fiancé Joe of Colorado Springs, CO, Steven Heather Koenig of Gilbert, AZ, Christin Mike Jennings of Grand Forks, Scott Christina Thelen of Bismarck, Kevin Thelen of Bismarck, Michael Pudwill of Denver, CO, and Katie Pudwill of Washington, D.C.; two great-grandchildren; two sisters, Jean Maynard of San Antonio, TX, and Patricia Collins of Mobridge, SD; and one brother, John Wilhelm of Marysville, CA. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Leo on October 25, 1971; and her step-mother, Julia Wilhelm.

Tribute Wall

ME

“ *Happy birthday, mom. Enjoy the heavenly cake and ice cream!*

ME - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

M.

“ *One year ago today I said "goodbye". You are missed more than ever during this past year. Love you dearly.*

M.E. - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *Happy mother's day, mom. So happy that I got to spend your last one with you. You will reside forever in my heart. M.E.*

Mary Thelen - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MOTHER.*

Mary Thelen - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ *One more day. I always wanted one more day with you. I guess our time together has run out here on earth but you were a great mentor and mother. See you again sometime, mother. I loved you dearly.*

Mary Thelen - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ Grandma, On your last birthday I told you that you didn't look a day over 80. I asked you your secret, and you said "Oil of Olay." I laughed, but took note, and bought some at the drug store that night. Here's hoping that when I wash my face at night, I can reveal a beautiful, feisty, quick-witted woman, sharp as a tack, and full of love- just like you. I can only hope that the subsequent bottles I will purchase in memory of you, will leave me with your skin, style and gumption. All of my love, Katie

Katie Pudwill - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NP

“ Mom, My thanks to you, for having such a wonderful son. I have the privilege, of being married to Marshall and having a wonderful son, Michael and a lovely daughter, Katie. I will miss your great sense of humor and your smile, with that little twinkle in your eye.

Nila Pudwill - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AZ

“ what long life and I am glad I had met her while I was a cashier at Dan's Supper Valu she was a very special person I always enjoyed helping her. She dressed so nice I always admired that. She was so friendly. I know you all will miss her very much so my Condolences to you all her family. May God be with you.

Ardis Zietlow - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ As the saying goes - "never enough time to stop" and I do wish I had made the time to stop in Bismarck and look your mother up. I remember staying with you all when I was a teenager about '55 and made to feel like 'one of the family.' Will try to find you all when I get the way again and take the time to do so. My heart felt condolences on the loss of your beautiful mother. PKPS

Priscilla Pudwill Stroh - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Aunt Mary Margaret, You will always be in my heart. The memories I have from our family visits up north are such sweet memories I will carry forever. You were a wonderful Aunt and woman. I am privileged to have had you in my family and life. I truly wish that I would have been able to say one last goodbye. I know you are in great company in heaven with all our family members who have preceded you. You know I will always love you. My prayers go out to the family. Your mother was an amazing woman. May God bless you for eternity! Your Loving Niece,

Suzanne Maynard - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ I always enjoyed when we got to spend time together. I wish that I had lived closer so that I could have visited more often. I will miss you Grandma.

Steve Koenig - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Your mom was a neat lady. She was so very good to my mom as she got older. I think of your mom often. I have a beautiful afghan that she made for my mom on the back of my couch. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. Mary Kay Lang Clara's daughter

Mary Kay Lang - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RK

“ You always treated me more like a son than a son-in-law and for that I will be forever grateful. I regret not being there to say good bye but I will hold you in my heart forever.

Roger Koenig - March 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM