



Kathleen J. Wuest

October 11, 1926 - April 26, 2021

Kathleen “Kathy” J. Wuest (Edkins), 94, passed away on April 26, 2021, at Maple Meadows in Fond du Lac - surrounded by her loving family.

She was born on October 11, 1926, in Fond du Lac, the daughter of Charles & Olive (Jung) Edkins. She was a graduate of Goodrich Senior High School, class of 1944. Her high school years being highlighted by a poem composition published in a local magazine, participation in sports, and having been featured in Rope & Leather magazine showcasing a leather outfit manufactured at Rueping Leather Company, which she subsequently modeled in Milwaukee as well.

Shortly after high school Kathy married Robert McCarthy, who preceded her in death with his passing from natural causes soon after their marriage. Kathy then went on to earn her license in cosmetology in 1946 and obtained her manager's license in cosmetology in 1948, which was the same year she earned second place in the state cosmetology competition. She then moved on to obtain her teaching license in cosmetology and along with teaching she did state exams for many years. Over the years, Kathy provided cosmetology services for funeral homes in Theresa and Kewaskum, as well as for Candlish & Kurki-Mach funeral homes in Fond du Lac.

On October 27, 1951, she married Raymond “Ray” J. Wuest at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Fond du Lac, of which Kathy was a lifelong member along with Holy Family Catholic Parish. Kathy & Ray were blessed with two daughters. While their daughters were young, Kathy worked part-time as a cosmetologist at Rolling Meadows Nursing Home and the Fond du Lac County Hospital. She also served as a Girl Scout leader and a Senior Scout leader for eight years.

In 1964, Kathy became a poll worker for the City of Fond du Lac, which she continued to serve in every election through the 2012 election. After her retirement, she served as a bailiff for the City of Fond du Lac for the next four years.

Kathy was highly involved as a volunteer with the Marquis Drum & Bugle Corps of Fond du Lac as their Business Manager from 1966-2000. She was very instrumental in the organization and production of the Marquis Night of Splendor, which was a very popular, award-winning drum & bugle corps competition held at Fruth Field in Fond du Lac for many years. Kathy chaired and assisted with many fundraisers during her time with the Marquis.

Kathy also warmly and humbly volunteered for several years with Hospice. She provided cosmetology services and developed special friendships with many at the Hospice Home of Hope in Fond du Lac. In addition, Kathy volunteered much of her time for St. Mary's and Holy Family churches. In her spare time, Kathy enjoyed hunting & fishing with her husband, Ray, as she had done for many years prior with her father.

Surviving Kathy are her two daughters, who she loved dearly and who loved her dearly in return; Raelene (Dale) Wundrow of Neenah and Mary "Mickey" (Brian) Moore of Wautoma. She is also survived by her 5 cherished grandchildren; Aaron Zangl (friend Glory) of Redondo Beach, CA; Nicholas "Nick" Williams (friend Michael) of San Diego, CA; Katie (Isaiah) Hanback of Luxemburg, WI; Brett Moore (fianceé, Aimee & her son, Koleton) of Sheboygan, WI; and Gabriel "Gabe" Moore of Fond du Lac, WI. Also, her dearest sister, Nadine (Robert) Munson of Fond du Lac, WI.

Kathy's family is deeply appreciative of all the staff at Maple Meadows for their kindness and support given to our mother and our family.

VISITATION: Relatives and friends may call on Tuesday, May 4, 2021, from 9:30 to 11:00 AM at Holy Family Catholic Church, 271 Fourth Street Way, Fond du Lac. (Face masks and social distancing are recommended.)

SERVICE: A funeral mass will at 11:00 AM at Holy Family Catholic Church with Fr. Edward Sanchez officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Kurki Funeral Chapel & Crematory is serving the family, www.kurkifuneralchapel.com.
920-921-4420

Cemetery

Calvary Cemetery
686 Fond du Lac Avenue
Fond du Lac, WI, 54935

Events

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Visitation

09:30AM - 11:00AM

Holy Family Parish - Fond du Lac

271 Fourth Street Way, Fond du Lac, WI, US, 54937
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Funeral Service

11:00AM - 12:00PM

Holy Family Parish - Fond du Lac

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Comments



“ Kathy was a long-time friend of mine, I spent a long time serving with her in Hospice during her volunteer days, especially at the Hospice Home of Hope.

Go in Peace, Kathy.

Godspeed and I pray enjoy Eternal Peace with God and your loved ones. Hope to see you when I arrive -- please save me room at you side! S. Anne Jude Van Lanen, CSA

Anne Van Lanen - May 04 at 12:34 PM



“ Mike & Linda Milinski lit a candle in memory of Kathleen J. Wuest



Mike & Linda Milinski - April 30 at 11:21 AM