



## Esther K. Mand

December 16, 1931 - June 9, 2025

Esther K. (Heaney) Mand, age 93, of Fond du Lac, died peacefully on June 9, 2025 at Harbor Haven Health & Rehabilitation surrounded by her family. She was born on December 16, 1931, a daughter of Martin and Meta Miller Heaney. Esther married Alfred “Fritz” Mand on July 26, 1952 at St. Patrick’s Catholic Church, Fond du Lac and were united in marriage until his passing in 2012.

Esther was a 1949 graduate of St. Mary’s Springs Academy and received her teaching degree from Marian College. She began teaching in a rural elementary school and later taught for 32 years in the Fond du Lac Catholic Schools. After retiring in 1997, her love for teaching continued by doing volunteer tutoring and substitute teaching for many years, thus impacting the lives of so many children. Esther was a member of Holy Family Community, and an honorary member of St. Patrick Rosary Guild.

Survivors include daughters, Catherine (Ken, Jr.) Seibel, Janet (Michael) O’Connor, son, David (Diane) Mand, son-in-law, Robert (Kathy) Teofilo, Sr. Thirteen grandchildren: Trisha Teofilo Olave (Ricardo), Corina (Eric) Mattson, Bridget Teofilo, Bob (Lisa) Teofilo, Tina Teofilo (Gina Gleason), Kelly (Ben) King, Carrie (Jake) Nitz, Jennifer (Allen “AJ”) Kraus, Christopher O’Connor, Elizabeth Achter, Thomas Mand (Naomi Wasserman), Brian (Bobbi Jo) Mand, Ben Mand (Carly Wilson), twenty two great-grandchildren, Caleb Siebauer,

Cami & Chase Nitz, Teegan, Julian & Darrian Kraus, Liam, Murphey & Rorey O'Connor, Barron, Aubrey, Graham & Clara Achter, Isla, Cora & Lewis Mand, Leon Mand, Enza & Teo Olave, Anja, Marco & Oliver Mattson.

Further survivors are sisters, Mary (Ron) Schaefer & Judy (Tom) Michels, sisters-in-law, Virginia Schneider & Irene Mand, brother-in-law Joseph Ouellette, and several nieces, nephews, other relatives & many friends.

Preceded in death by her parents, foster parents Nick & Irene Abler, husband, Alfred "Fritz", son, Bobby, daughter, Mary Teofilo, sisters, Dorothy (Lyle) Huth, Helen (Lyle) Jerdee, Catherine 'Kay' Abler, & Barbara Ouellette, brothers, Martin (LouNelle) Heaney, Vincent "Tom" (Marilyn) Heaney, in laws, Florence (Alex) Michels, Alois (Lydia) Mand, Ambrose (Agnes) Mand, Ray (Mary Ann) Mand, Servie (Marie) Mand, Genevieve (Emil) Kopplin, Wilfred (Marie) Abler, Adolph Schneider, & Leo Mand.

Esther was proud of her Irish heritage & enjoyed her several trips to Ireland as well as decorating her home with the Irish theme in the month of March. She always loved being with her family, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and her many friends and doing extra things for them. She enjoyed sewing, making different items, as well as decorating her home for the different seasons & baking from "scratch" Ladyfingers, Cinnamon Twists & various kinds of bars & cookies.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff at Harbor Haven and SSM Hospice for the loving care and compassion given to Esther.

**SERVICES:** Esther's family invites friends and relatives to a time of visitation on Thursday, June 19, 2025 at noon to 2:00 pm at Holy Family Catholic Church, 271 Fourth St. Way, Fond du Lac. A Memorial Mass of Christian Burial will take place following the visitation. Burial will take place immediately

following the church service at St. Charles Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund will be established in Esther's name.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Charles Cemetery

Town of Taycheedah, WI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 19. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Holy Family Parish - Fond du Lac  
271 Fourth Street Way  
Fond du Lac, WI 54937

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 19. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

SH

“ Susan (Jorgenson) Henderson lit a candle in memory of Esther K. Mand



Susan (Jorgenson) Henderson - June 24, 2025 at 04:07 PM

SH

Cathy, David & Janet - so sorry for your loss! But know she is in your hearts! Have so many fond memories of gatherings with your family. Mom and Dad (Gordy and Ellie) apologize for not being able to make the funeral service - at their age, gatherings and travel can be difficult. But they were with you in thought and prayer

Susan (Jorgenson) Henderson - June 24, 2025 at 04:09 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Esther K. Mand.



June 17, 2025 at 05:30 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Esther K. Mand.

June 17, 2025 at 05:30 PM

KS

“ *Cathy Dave and Janet. I so remember all the neighborhood parties we had the fun the coffee klatches our moms had and all the fun!! But my favorite memory of Esther was the absolute best fudge cake I have ever tasted in my entire life. She was a wonderful lady very kind! RIP Esther and she is with Mary Bobby and your Dad!*



**kathy Lambeseder or Susie Stahla** - June 16, 2025 at 09:33 AM

SZ

“ *To Esther's family, our deepest sympathies. Esther was the most loving mother, educator, and so much more! She was always smiling! Susan and John Zacherl*

**Susan and John Zacherl** - June 14, 2025 at 09:20 AM

JO

“ *Joleen lit a candle in memory of Esther K. Mand*



**Joleen** - June 13, 2025 at 11:14 AM

JO

*My sincere condolences Cathy and Janet. I know your family was very close and losing your Mom, no matter yours or her age is hard. Know she is still with you, just not physically. I love this quote from Leo Buscaglia, "We truly never lose the people we love, even to death. They continue to participate in every act, thought and decision we make. Their love leaves an indelible imprint in our memories. We find comfort in knowing that our lives have been enriched by having shared their love." Hugs to you and your families.*

**Joleen** - June 13, 2025 at 11:22 AM

LF

“ *Lillian Foote lit a candle in memory of Esther K. Mand*



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**Lillian Foote** - June 12, 2025 at 08:46 AM

RC

“ *To Cathy & the entire Mand family, our deepest sympathy on the loss of your mom. Sending thoughts & prayers.*

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**Rollie & Carol Chase** - June 11, 2025 at 10:54 PM

TL

“ *My deepest condolences to your family. Mrs. Mand was one of my teachers at St Mary's grade school in the late 60's. She was a wonderful and kind teacher. May she rest in peace.* 🙏

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**Theresa Doll Lewis** - June 11, 2025 at 05:32 PM