



LaVerne H. Kiefner

December 19, 1923 - October 24, 2008

LaVerne H. Kiefner, 84, went into the arms of her heavenly Savior on Friday, October 24, 2008, at St. Agnes Hospital, Fond du Lac, as a result of a stroke. She was born on December 19, 1923, in Fond du Lac, a daughter of Edward and Helen QuestGray, being one of 12 children. LaVerne was a graduate of Fond du Lac Senior High School, Class of 1941. On December 24, 1941, she married the love of her life, Raymond M. Kiefner in St. Louis, MO. They resided their entire life in Fond du Lac, owning and operating Kiefner Aluminum Windows and Awning until 1966, where LaVerne did bookkeeping besides being a housewife and mother. Mom sacrificed a lot for her family and never complained. She cared for Dad at home after he suffered a stroke, until his passing in 1997. She was a devoted wife, mother, and Christian, whose faith never faltered despite all the trials dealt her. She fought bravely with renal failure, being on dialysis, Parkinson's Disease, and glaucoma, which resulted in loss of sight, never complaining or asking "why me?" LaVerne was a charter member of Luther Memorial Church. She is survived by two daughters: Dianne Serman and Julie Kiefner; a granddaughter: Ashley Kiefner, all of North Fond du Lac; one great-granddaughter, Brittney Knetter of Edgar, WI; two sisters: Marian Salzwedal and Patricia Gray; a brother, Leo Gray, all of Fond du Lac; and many nieces and nephews. LaVerne was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Raymond on May 2, 1997; her son, Gary on May 10, 2002; a granddaughter, Dawn Serman Knetter in 2002; five brothers: Carl, Dick, Eddie, Robert and Jim; two sisters: Mary Ellen

Gray and Charlotte Schultz; an infant sister; and a niece, Susan Gray. She will be deeply missed by all of us. Mom, you are in God's arms now with Dad and Gary. No more pain and worries. I am glad and thankful to God that we were blessed with you as our mother and that you were able to spend the last three years at my home. Forever in our thoughts and memories will be cherished. Visitation for Mrs. Kiefner will be from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. on Monday, October 27, 2008, at Luther Memorial Church, 134 21st Street, Fond du Lac. Her funeral service will follow at 2:00 p.m. on Monday at church, with the Rev. David Naumann officiating. Burial will be in Avoca Cemetery. Special thanks to Dr. Sergi for all the years of compassion and care for mom, Aurora Dialysis, especially Kathy, St. Agnes E.R. staff and the fifth floor nurses for the care over the last four days. And thank you to Pastor Naumann.

Tribute Wall

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