



HELEN M. JOHNSON

June 1, 1930 - March 2, 2012

HELEN M. JOHNSON, 81, of Covington, passed away Thursday, February 23, 2012 in Milwaukee. She was born in Watton, MI on June 1, 1930 the daughter of the late Isaac and Emma (Mantiniemi) Torma. Helen attended elementary school in Watton and graduated from L'Anse High School. She married William A. Johnson on June 20, 1953. He preceded her in death in January 2003. Helen worked for the Covington and Watton Co-op stores for many years. She was then employed as a rural mail carrier for the US Postal Service, retiring in 1990. Helen was a lifelong member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Covington. Her greatest joy was spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Helen enjoyed cooking, and baking for her family whenever they visited. Grandma's rieska was their most requested item. She also enjoyed games of Yatzee and Scrabble with her neighbors and family as well as her daily crossword puzzles. Mrs. Helen Johnson is survived by her children Susan (Douglas) Scott of Cornell, MI. and Sharon (Wayne) Manz of Milwaukee, WI, grandchildren Bradley (Lisa) Manz of Kenosha, WI, Brian (Kimberly) Manz of Germantown, WI, Jacqueline Manz of Milwaukee, WI, Daniel Scott of US Naval Base, Bremerton, WA, and Sarah (Jon Kovar) Scott of Marquette, MI, great grandchildren Donovan VanErt, Nadia Manz, Kailey Manz, and Sawyer Manz, sister Bertha Torma of Watton, sisters-in-law Viola Manninen of Ironwood, Vienna Forslund of Ironwood, Aileen Johnson of Negaunee, and Helmi Johnson of L'Anse. Numerous nieces and nephews also survive. She was preceded in death by a sister and brother, Hilda and Paul. Funeral services for Mrs. Helen Johnson were held at 11 a.m. Friday, March 2, 2012 from Trinity Lutheran Church, Covington with Pastor Mark Reinsch officiating. Spring interment will take place in the Covington Cemetery. The family received friends on Thursday, March 1, 2012 from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m at the Reid Funeral Service and Chapel, L'Anse and at the church on Friday from 10 a.m. until the time of the service.

Comments



“ Susie, Sharon and the family. Have so many wonderful memories of Helen, my ma's loyal coworker. Who could ever forget her whacky sense of humor? She made everything seem like fun. Recently found out from my older brother that they graduated from L'A together and once went on strike when they were told to walk and catch the bus in Watton. May God comfort all of you at this sad time. We were all blessed to know her through the years.

Dennis Leaf - February 29, 2012 at 05:28 PM



“ Dear Susie, Sharon and family: Please accept my prayers and sympathy as you grieve the loss of your mother. Helen was such a gracious lady. I enjoyed visiting with her-- she was always so proud of you both! God Bless. Jolene

Jolene Johnson Van Den Elzen - February 29, 2012 at 02:57 PM



“ Susie, Sharon & family: Our deepest sympathy in the loss of your mother. You are in our prayers. May your memories, family & friends help you through this difficult time in your lives. Sorry we can't be there, prior commitments. God Bless Forrest & Carol Brady

Forrest & Carol Brady - February 27, 2012 at 05:28 PM



“ Susie and Sharon,
I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I have so many great memories of Helen, we'd work together in the kitchen at church. She was so fun to work with, she had a great sense of humor!
I hope your memories and the love of friends and family help you through this loss. With sympathy and prayers for you and your families,

Deb and Brian Schultz

Deb and Brian Schultz - February 26, 2012 at 11:29 AM