



Anita M. Beckstrom

September 30, 1942 - October 3, 2008

ANITA BECKSTROM NORWAY- Anita M. Beckstrom age 84 of Norway died Friday, October 3, 2008, at ManorCare Health Services in Kingsford, MI. She was born on September 9, 1924, in Norway, the daughter of the late Roy and Irene (LaJeunese) Cantrill. Anita married Ernest Beckstrom on September 30, 1942 in Norway. He preceded her in death on June 4, 1981. Anita loved children and provided childcare for over 3 decades taking care of Norway children two at a time. She was a lifelong faithful member of Grace United Methodist Church, and very active in the Church activities, enjoyed singing with the Bible Class and for many years sent the Upper Room to college kids and soldiers. Anita was an avid gardener, Packer fan, Cubs fan and enjoyed traveling the world including visiting her brother Billy's grave in Normandy, France. She was an adored mother, grandmother and great grandmother, she will be sadly missed. Anita is survived by her son William (June Maynard) Beckstrom of Norway; daughters Lois Zember of Menasha, WI., Betty Scott of Woodbridge, VA and Lucy (Geoff) Blethyn of Sturgeon Bay, WI; grandchildren Tracy (Mike) Doede, Melissa (Keith) Johnson, Joe (Tracy Tran) Zember, Cherish (Bill) Nelson, John (Lea) Nanney, Eric Maynard, Rebecca (Shaun) Keeling, Neil (Randa) Blethyn and Jamie Blethyn; 13 great grandchildren; brother Ron (Peggy) Cantrill of Chicago, IL; sister Alice (Wesley) Perket of Menasha, WI; numerous nieces and nephews; special friends Margie Winkler, Nancy Bal and Mary Ann Krauss. She was preceded in death by her brothers Harry, Billy and Artie Cantrill, and her sister Evelyn Poquette. Visitation will be

held on Monday, October 6 from 4-7 p.m. at the Miner-Ortman Funeral Home in Norway. Funeral Services will be held on Tuesday, October 7 at 10 a.m. at Grace United Methodist Church with Rev. James Britt, officiating. Interment will follow at the Norway Township Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

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“ Anita Beckstrom was a caring and wonderful women whom would help out just about anybody with the very last of her scraps. I remember sitting on Nitas kitchen floor playing with my army men while she would scream at me to eat something your getting to skinny. Nita was the true Queen of that castle and the Beckstrom family was never the same after her passing. I know because that playing little boy was her grandson, John Nanney, Life will never be the same again Gram. All My Love.

John C. Nanney - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ My sympathy to your family on the loss of a great lady!! I new Nita as she lived right next door to my grandma Alice & Paul Lequia In Norway..Many great memories with her growing up when I visited my grandparents.....
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Kelly Quick

Kelly Quick (Zambon) - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ To all of Anita's family, you have my deepest sympathy. She always spoke of having "good kids" and being looked after. I'll miss her kind eyes & thoughtful ways. Bill, you set the bar high for the way a son should love his mother. Sorry I'm unable to attend her funeral.
Peace, Denise Nault

Denise Nault - January 30, 2015 at 12:00 AM