



Frances A. Zilke

May 6, 1923 - July 14, 2013

Deerfield—Frances Zilke, age 90, of Deerfield, passed away Sunday, July 14, 2013, at Fieldstone AFL, in Tecumseh, MI. She was born May 6, 1923 in Jasper, MI to Joseph and Mary (Valasek) Ricica. She married Rollin R. (Pete) Zilke on March 2, 1946 and he preceded her in death on October 3, 1980. She is survived by three sons and daughters-in-law: Joseph (Judy) Zilke of Brooklyn, MI, Peter (Denise) Zilke of Riga, MI, and Richard (Robin) Zilke of Adrian. Also surviving are grandchildren Michael Zilke and fiancée Melissa Preston, Matthew (Jessica) Zilke, Christina (Matthew) Karpinski, Jeffrey (Christi) Zilke, Nicholas (Melissa) Zilke, Jonathon (Kristin) Zilke, Justin (Maggie) Zilke, and Bradley Zilke and fiancée Shae Viers, Emily Zilke and step grandson, Christopher Matthias. Also surviving are great-grandchildren Paige and Madison Zilke, Tyler and Trevor Karpinski, Brody and Kendall Zilke, Adam and Hadley Zilke, step-great-grandchildren Julia, Roger and Brian Preston and Kara and Kaitlin Burns. Also surviving is her sister Vi Hutchinson of Dearborn Hts., MI.

Besides her husband Pete, she was preceded in death by her parents, and sisters Rose Repka, Helen Repka, Martha Kinsley, and Anna Fust.

Funeral services for Frances will be at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, July 18, 2013, at Wagley Funeral Home, Tagsold Chapel, Blissfield, with Deacon Joseph Repka presiding. Burial will follow at Deerfield Cemetery. Visitation will be on Wednesday from 2 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home. Memorial contributions in lieu of flowers may be given to Hospice of Lenawee, Department on Aging or

the American Diabetes Foundation. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Online condolences to the family are welcomed at www.WagleyFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Deerfield Cemetery

W. Keegan St.
Deerfield, MI 49238

Tribute Wall



“ *Frances A. Zilke*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *Dear Mom Zilke, I wasn't in the family for long before I lost you, really only a blink of an eye but you made me feel so accepted and loved in the many months we had together. I will be forever grateful for all the love and support you gave me and especially Dick and I. You told me many times how you felt about me and I am so happy I was able to express those feelings back to you. You are an incredible woman and raised three wonderful boys. And I promise you this, I will do anything and everything to try to have the magical marriage like you had. You were a great teacher...I will always be there for your youngest. I love him and especially you so... Robin Zilke*

Robin Zilke - July 18, 2013 at 12:56 PM



“ *Joe, Pete, & Dick,
My condolences on the loss of your mother. She was the sweetest lady I knew when we were kids growing up. She always treated me the best whenever I stayed over. She will be sorely missed by all who knew her.*

*Sincerely,
Dennis & Annie Kruse*


Dennis Kruse - July 17, 2013 at 11:03 PM

JR

“ Rest in peace dear lady. You always had a kind word and smile whenever we had a chance to see you. To her family members, you have our sympathy at this time of loss.

The James Repka Family

Jim and Mary Repka - July 17, 2013 at 10:40 PM

 Vicki
Parks
Houttekier

“ Vicki Parks Houttekier lit a candle in memory of Frances A. Zilke



Vicki Parks Houttekier - July 17, 2013 at 08:31 PM

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“ Fran was our neighbor and always a joy to visit with. She was always so good to us and our children. We always visited her house on Halloween, and loved seeing her decorations (diorama on her kitchen cabinet, ghosts on the curtains, jackolanterns of graduated sizes with different treats in each one, ..) She always treated the kids like they were so special, and us too. We loved the many conversations over the years, her great stories and love of life. She will be greatly missed by us! She was a dear lady full of spunk and love. RIP Fran.

Deanna Burke - July 17, 2013 at 08:53 AM

Mike
Zilke

“ Mike Zilke lit a candle in memory of Frances
A. Zilke



Mike Zilke - July 16, 2013 at 11:04 PM

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NickandMelissa Zilke - July 16, 2013 at 11:59 AM

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NickandMelissa Zilke - July 16, 2013 at 11:52 AM

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NickandMelissa Zilke - July 16, 2013 at 11:51 AM

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“*Fran was always so wonderful about saving news clippings of all of our children from the various newspapers. She would save a few and periodically drop them off at our house. If it weren't for her I wouldn't have some of the stories for their scrapbooks. I would try to call her and check up on her some. I always enjoyed our chats. She was a very dear, sweet lady.*

Melissa Burnor

Melissa Burnor - July 15, 2013 at 07:50 PM