



Agnes LaFleur

December 22, 1911 - December 22, 2009

AGNES FRANLaFLEUR (nee Olejnik) age 98 of Portage IN formerly of Gary IN passed away Tuesday December 22 2009. Survived by one daughter Phyllis (Ron) Hess of IL sons: Joe (Pat) of MN Arthur (Shelley) of CA and Edmund (Kathy) of Burns Harbor IN grandchildren: Erik (Jeannette) Hess Suzanne (Greg) Brittelle Carrie (Doug) Herzog Brian (Rachel) LaFleur Molly and Joe LaFleur and Matthew Lindsey and Mitchell LaFleur great grandchildren: Maddy Emma and Andrew Hess Brittany and Joe Herzog and Landon LaFleur. Preceded in death by husband Joseph E. infant daughter Marie Celeste parents Michael and Anna (nee Holly) Olejnik brothers John Severin and Mike sisters: Mary Theresa and Ann. Born October 4 1911 Agnes had a heart of gold a magnetic personality and made friends easily. Her generosity knew no boundaries. She was very sociable and adventurous when young and competed in a marathon dance in the early 1930s. She married Joseph E. LaFleur on October 16 1937. During WWII she later helped Joe in his undercover work for the FBI against the Communist threat to the Region. She developed a passion for ballroom dancing later in life and won many awards. She lived a full life and was a devoted mother. She will remain forever in our hearts. We would especially like to thank the staff at Golden L.C. Advanced Care Unit. Friends may call at Pruzin Brothers Funeral Service 6360 Broadway Merrillville Monday December 28 2009 from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m. Prayer service at 2:00 p.m. Funeral service will be Tuesday December 29 2009 at 9:30 a.m. from Pruzin Brothers Chapel and 10:00 a.m. from SS. Peter

& Paul Catholic Church 5885 Harrison St. Merrillville with Rev. Roy Beeching officiating. At rest Calumet Park Cemetery Merrillville. To view Agnes Life Tribute Video click on the following link:<http://videos.lifetributes.com/109336>

Tribute Wall

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“ To the LaFleur Family: I wanted to express my sympathy on the loss of your Mom. If I had seen the paper earlier I would have come in person. I had met your Mom when the Echoes and the Cameos sang in the LaFleur basement. The good old days! We are all at the age when our parents are leaving us. We know they are in a better place but it still hurts. When we were young we thought life would go on forever. I truly believed that we would all continue living in the same neighborhood as our parents and friends. My husband and I lost our mothers 10 months apart. Our Dads were with us for several years and passed away in the same year. The memories now bring smiles instead of tears. Hopefully Joe and Art will remember me. Joe and I and our spouses have the same wedding year and date. Whenever I go through my scrapbook I see our wedding notices on the same page. Art was one of favorite friends and the best bass I ever knew. I remember meeting Shelley at one of the reunions and telling her how much we all valued Art as a friend. I hope you are all healthy and happy. Again I pass on my sympathies. Kathy Adams Butterfield

Kathy Adams Butterfield - January 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ In 1985 Met Fran at Arthur Murray dance studio party she was an excellent dancer and had a lot of jokes to tell. We nick-named her Cyd Charise due to her looks and dance abilities. For 18 years Fran donated her time and talents to helping others become better dancers at the Pruzin Center. Every one misses her very much. Our sympathies to her family. Lester G. Schmock

Lester G. & Lorraine L. Schmock - December 29, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ Phyllis my condolences to you and your family. I remember your mom and dad along with your brothers from when you and I were in grade school together. Whenever I see Artie on TV I always comment that I was friends with his sister. I remember your house near the rectory but lost contact with you when we graduated. Your mother lived a lot of years but that doesnt make it any easier on those left behind. Again my deepest sympathy.

Ruth Warner Johnson - December 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ I would like to extend my sympathies to Art & Ed whom I knew because I lived next door to you on 7th & Harrison. I remember your father & mother being nice to us. What a long & beautiful life! Betty

Elizabeth (Betty) Miller Starewicz - December 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Art Sorry to read about the passing of your mom. Remember our days in the Army Reserves. I have truly enjoyed seeing you in TV commercials through the years and the parts you have done in movies and TV. I am extremely proud of you and proud to have shared some experiences in your life. Best wishes and sincere condolences. Jim Friedlund Company Clerk 431st QM (Retired)

Jim Friedlund - December 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ I knew Fran many years ago. She was my neighbor when we both lived in Miller. I loved her dearly she was always smiling and always dancing! She truly loved ballroom dancing and she wanted my husband and I to join her..but at the time we were very young and not into dancing ballroom. I wish now we would have went with her. I am very sorry for your loss...your Mother and grandmother was a real Gem!!

Terri Stallworth - December 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PK

“ Auntie Agnes will be greatly missed.

Phillip & Theresa Komisarcik - December 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ Aunt Fran will forever be in our hearts and prayers. You have our deepest sympathy.

Nancy Seay - December 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM