



Annamae K (Kuhn) Franks

September 5, 1916 - August 1, 2013

Annamae K. Franks, nee Kuhn, died in Homewood at the age of 96. She is survived by her children and their spouses: Elizabeth and Nicholas Tribuzio, Brooklyn, NY; James and Virginia Franks, Danville, IL; Kathryn and James Wehling, Homewood, IL; Margaret and the Rev'd Peter Hoyer, Bradley Beach, NJ; and Laureen and Keith Lamm, Lombard, IL. She is also survived by ten grandchildren: Jay and Phyllis Franks, Jennifer Ferguson, Larry Franks, Alison and Jason Morriss, Gina Wehling, Theresa and Graham Scott, Monica and David Sims, Elizabeth and Erik Silvius, Sean Lamm and Benjamin Lamm; ten great granddaughters: Emma Ferguson, Katherine and Jessica Franks, Jenna Franks, Natali, Taylor, Annalea, Lydia, and Jada Morriss, and Gabrielle Scott; four great grandsons: Joseph Scott, Lukas and Simon Silvius, and Jack Sims. She will be mourned by her sister Mildred Rosenbrock; her beloved and devoted helper Cora Moises; her "Beecher daughter" Janice Brands; and many nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents William and Annabelle Kuhn, her husband James, and her granddaughter Jill. Born on September 5, 1916, to William Kuhn and his wife Annabelle nee Ark in Chicago, IL, she grew up in Oak Lawn and attended Calumet High School. In 1932 she met Jim Franks at the Trinity Lutheran Church youth group and he took her to the prom in his dad's Model A Ford at the Del Prado Hotel. They married on October 9, 1937, at Trinity Lutheran Church. The newlyweds resided in Oak Lawn where Jim worked for Commonwealth Edison Company. In 1946 the family moved to a farm in Grant

Park and then, in 1952, to the farm on State Line road in Beecher . Annamae helped with the farming and took care of the children and household until the 1960's when Karl Schmidt convinced her to start a hot lunch program at Zion Lutheran School in Beecher. For many years she was the editor of the Beecher Herald, where she was known as "Stateline Annie". As a member of Zion Lutheran Church in Beecher, Annamae taught Sunday School for over fifty years. Her long life and relative good health enabled her to have an enriched life which she enjoyed to the fullest. In addition, her enthusiasm for real personal correspondence and cheerful notes of encouragement will no doubt continue for eternity. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Zion Lutheran Church, 540 Oak Park Avenue, Beecher, IL 60401 appreciated.

Tribute Wall

GM

“ *Psalms 90:10 In themselves the days of our years are seventy years; And if because of special mightiness they are eighty years, Yet their insistence is on trouble and hurtful things; For it must quickly pass by, and away we fly.*

Gail McGrew - October 02, 2019 at 07:03 PM

NB

“ *I know it's difficult to say farewell (even for a short while) to a mom and grandma so loved, but we rejoice with Mrs. Franks. She was a wonderful example of the faith lived out. Dad was blessed to have her as such a loyal friend. Blessings from our great Savior as your mourn your mom's passing.*

Neil Bockelmann - October 02, 2019 at 07:03 PM

BF

“ *My deepest and heartfelt sympathy to all the wonderful Frank's children! Annamae was a wonderful Mother and a fine example to her family. Very difficult to live up to! Her faith in God will guide you and comfort you until you meet again.*

Barbara Smeatham Family - October 02, 2019 at 07:03 PM

RS

“ *I will always have wonderful memories when I worked with Annamae at the Beecher Herald. My condolences to the family.*

Roger Schoenwald - October 02, 2019 at 07:03 PM

JA

“ My sympathy goes out to the family during these difficult times. Perhaps you might find some comfort from the texts at Psalm 105:4,5 and John 5:28,29

James - October 02, 2019 at 07:03 PM

BB

“ Our sympathies to the family and our prayers through thhis transition of your lives. But we are assured that Anna Mae's relationship to the Lord has given her a wonderful reception in Heaven. God has smiled on her for a great life but now rejoices iin Her home going! God Bless you all and thank you for the years of friendship!

Bill & Stella Beagle - October 02, 2019 at 07:03 PM

CS

“ Oh how sad to know she1s gone, but the lord will accept her with open arms,I DONT THINK YOU COULD FIND A NICER SWEETER person than her.
When I lived across the street from the Beecher Herald, I would go over
and we would chat.Betty my sympathy to you and the rest of the family, you all had a wonderful MOM.
in his heaven ly name Carol (SEITZ) Schuetz

carol schuetz - October 02, 2019 at 07:03 PM

NH

“ Our deepest sympathy-Mrs. Franks was such a positive influence to all who knew her and your dad. We still have the wedding gift from your parents that your father made-wooden candle holder. You will all be in our thoughts and prayers-truly Zion, and Beecher has lost a pillar of the community and a shining example of Jesus' love. God's Peace.

Neil & Ruth (Bernhard) Herzog - October 02, 2019 at 07:03 PM