



Cyrilla Erickson

July 5, 1920 - February 27, 2012

Cyrilla “Sal” Joan Erickson was born July 5, 1920 in Wadena to Nick and Louise (Tabery) Neuerburg. She received her education at St. Ann’s School and Wadena High School from which she graduated in 1938. On October 9, 1939 Cyrilla married Melvin Erickson at St. Ann’s Church of Wadena. They spent 21 years in Marshall, MN where she worked in sales and as an optometrist assistant. Upon retirement Sal and her husband moved back to Wadena to be closer to family members and friends. Family was very important to Sal and she touched the hearts of many. She loved music and enjoyed entertaining people young and old, playing the piano and keyboard at dances, nursing homes, parties and family reunions. Sal also enjoyed camping, dancing, traveling in their motor home and playing cards. For 20 years of her retirement she and her husband divided their time between Wadena and Brownsville, TX. She was a member of St. Ann’s Catholic Church of Wadena and past member of St. Luke’s Church of Brownsville, TX. Cyrilla passed away at Fair Oaks Lodge on February 27, 2012, at the age of 91. She was preceded in death by her husband of 58 years, 2 grandchildren, parents, brothers Bernard, Norbert, Lawrence, and Leo; sister Bertilla, sisters-in-law, Jeneva, Josephine and Stella Neuerburg. Sal is survived by her daughters Louise Lang of Robbinsdale and Janet Erickson of Sartell, sons Kenneth Erickson of St. James and Roger Erickson of Yuma, AZ., 9 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren; sister; Marie Willan of Wadena, brothers; Herb (Trudy) Neuerburg of Wadena and Earl Neuerburg of Fridley;

and many nieces, nephews and cousins. Sal also leaves behind her friend and caregiver Gary Johnson and all the past and current members of her care team at Fair Oaks Lodge. The Mass of Christian burial was celebrated on March 3, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Wadena, with Father Donald Wagner as celebrant. Honorary pallbearers were Sal's grandchildren and their spouses. The family of Earl Neuerburg served as pallbearers. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Wadena.

Tribute Wall

GL

“ *Want to tell you how much Sal was loved and will truly be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.*

Glenda - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ *Dear Family of Sal,
Our sympathy to you all. The loss of a loved one is very difficult.
God Bless.*

Carol (Stroot) Husby - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EC

“ *Aunt Sal, I'll sing Amazing Grace for you now. I'm glad I got to hear you play...*

Erin Cooper - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SN

“ *She was a dear aunt. First met her when she was at the singer shop in Wadena.*

Sharon Neuerburg - February 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM