



Mary Ann Erckenbrack

November 25, 1926 - December 4, 2017

The memorial service celebrating the life of Mary Ann Erckenbrack of Wadena will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, December 11, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena, with Pastors Nate Loer and Megan Clapp officiating. Visitation with the family will be held on Sunday at the Johnson-Schuller Chapel in Wadena starting at 4:00 and ending with a prayer service at 6:00 p.m. Visitation will resume at the church on Monday from 9:30 a.m. until the time of service.

Mary Ann, age 91, passed away peacefully on Monday, December 4, 2017, at the hospital in St. Cloud, MN, after a recent stroke.

Mary Ann was born to Edward and Mary (Windels) Carter on November 25, 1926, in Wadena, MN. She attended elementary school in Compton Township and graduated from Wadena High School with the Class of 1944. She attained her Bachelors Degree in Human Services Administration from Bemidji State in 1980, at the age of 54.

Mary Ann was united in marriage with Harvey Arthur Erckenbrack on November 9, 1946, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Wadena. They made their home in Wadena where they raised their three daughters.

Mary Ann found her professional niche as a coordinator of the Foster

Grandparent and Senior Companion Programs at the Brainerd State Hospital. Subsequently, she worked for Wadena County Human Services and the Health Department as a coordinator of Senior Companion Services. Mary Ann was known to family and friends as a woman of clear conviction, progressive ideas and strong advocacy for vulnerable people. She was a trusted confidant for friends, nieces and nephews and was a fun-loving loyal friend and passionate card player!

Preceding Mary Ann in death were her husband, Harvey, on September 30, 2005; parents Edward Carter, Mary Carter Danielson and Albin "Dan" Danielson; son-in-law, Glenn St. Marie; granddaughter, Jessica St. Marie; sisters Eunice Chase, Ellen Estes, Wanda Conatser, and Beverly Lawhead.

She leaves behind her daughters, Jane Erckenbrack of Wadena, Kay (Kim) Gudmestad of Minneapolis, Nancy Erckenbrack of Vancouver, WA; grandchildren John, William, Antonio, Kai, Tessa, Berit, Tyler and Lee; 10 great-grandchildren; brothers Robert (Gloria) Danielson and Robert Carter; sister Joyce Weis; along with many nieces, nephews and friends.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Mary Ann's grandchildren.

Inurnment will be held at a later date in the Wadena Cemetery, Wadena, MN.

The family suggests memorials be directed to the Food Shelf of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Wadena Cemetery

Franklin Drive & 5th St. SW
Wadena, MN 56482

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 10. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Johnson-Schuller Chapel
205 4th Street Southwest
Wadena, MN 56482

Visitation

DEC 11. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church - Wadena
403 2nd St. SE
Wadena, MN 56482

Service

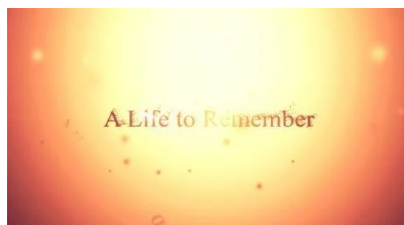
DEC 11. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Immanuel Lutheran Church - Wadena
403 2nd St. SE
Wadena, MN 56482

Tribute Wall



“ Schuller Family Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - December 08, 2017 at 04:13 PM

SP

Wonderful video.

Susie Pearsall - December 12, 2017 at 07:58 AM

JB

“ Mary Ann was always so easy to visit with. I enjoyed knowing her. My brother-in-law was a brother to her husband so I felt we had a bond. Sorry to see her gone. Lucky for her to be at peace and to discover what her life was all about on earth.

Joyce bock - December 14, 2017 at 04:20 PM

CR

“ Chuck Rensink lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack



Chuck Rensink - December 11, 2017 at 07:45 PM

AP

“ *When I worked for Region V Regional Development, a single Mom with two jobs, Mary Ann was very kind to me, sort of a bit of guidance, had me to lunch at her home one day. A lovely, helpful person. I was a better person for knowing her just a little bit.*

Audrey Erickson Johns Petersen - December 11, 2017 at 06:07 PM

GS

“ *Gary Schorsch lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Gary Schorsch - December 11, 2017 at 04:32 PM

SE

“ *Sandra Estes lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Sandra Estes - December 11, 2017 at 04:07 PM

SE

Auntie, I have many fond memories of our times at the lake and at your home in Wadena. You made the very best sloppy Joe's I have ever had. It must have had a heap of love, your love !! I will also lite a candle in The Chapel of the Holy Cross in Sedona,Az. It's special and so were you. Thank you for your big heart helping many. Now you will be with my mom, Eunice, & Wanda, your sister's, and the rest of the family. They have been waiting for you to join them in God's kingdom. I bet you have your wing's. God Bless your family & friends. He Lives!! love, Sandra & family.

Sandra Estes - December 11, 2017 at 04:23 PM



“ *William Schorsch lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



William Schorsch - December 11, 2017 at 03:50 PM



“ *I just watched the video and enjoyed viewing it. It brought smiles and tears. Mary Ann was so good to us when we visited Wadena. We always had fun. We enjoyed her visits to Vancouver. The sisters are now reunited with our Lord and their loved ones in Heaven. Missing them all. Prayers for your families as you celebrate her life. Love to all.*
Phyllis Jane

Phyllis Goldhammer - December 11, 2017 at 12:24 PM



“ *Jennifer (Rohr) Schiller lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Jennifer (Rohr) Schiller - December 11, 2017 at 09:17 AM



“ *Shirley Erckenbrack Savaloja lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Shirley Erckenbrack Savaloja - December 10, 2017 at 07:04 PM

ER

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Elisa Mae Runge - December 10, 2017 at 04:21 PM

BB

“ Betty Barr lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack



Betty Barr - December 09, 2017 at 04:30 PM

RL

“ She was such a good friend to share time visiting with, and especially so because we shared our birthdates!

Ruby Lynk - December 09, 2017 at 01:02 PM

JP

“ Nancy and family... Mary Anne was one of my favorite employees... so dedicated and concerned for the volunteers.. I was going to try and get there but now it looks like I might not be able too.. so wanted to send my thoughts and prayers
John Pribyl, Crosslake MN

John Pribyl - December 08, 2017 at 07:23 PM



“ 51 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Schuller Family Funeral Homes - December 08, 2017 at 03:02 PM

CC

“ 1 file added to the album *Mary Ann*



Chris Conatser - December 08, 2017 at 12:29 AM

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Chris Conatser - December 08, 2017 at 12:28 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album Mary Ann



Chris Conatser - December 08, 2017 at 12:27 AM

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Chris Conatser - December 08, 2017 at 12:26 AM

 Tom Gerszewski

“ I extend my sincerest condolences, Jane. All the best. Tom Gerszewski.

Tom Gerszewski - December 07, 2017 at 11:30 PM

BL

“ Sincere condolences to the family of Mary Ann. I will miss our adventures. We had such fun going to different places every week. I still keep expecting her to walk down the hall and say “is there anyone here I know?” Barb Lehmkuhl

Barb Lehmkuhl - December 07, 2017 at 10:31 PM

NB

“ *Naomi Brust lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Naomi Brust - December 07, 2017 at 10:04 PM

BA

“ *Barry lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Barry - December 07, 2017 at 10:03 PM

BP

“ *Barry & Sandi Pratt lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Barry & Sandi Pratt - December 07, 2017 at 10:02 PM

BL

“ *Barb Lehmkuhl lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Barb Lehmkuhl - December 07, 2017 at 07:45 PM

WL

“ *Wadena Library lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Wadena Library - December 07, 2017 at 04:51 PM

JJ

“ *Just a note to say how very special Mary Ann was. She always made Lar and I feel very special whenever we seen her. When I get together with her family from Wadena, she will be deeply missed, God Bless her family Jackie Jones*

Jackie Jones - December 07, 2017 at 02:51 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Ann Erckenbrack.*



December 07, 2017 at 02:42 PM

CS

“ *Char Schloeder lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Char Schloeder - December 07, 2017 at 12:46 PM

RL

“ *Ruby Lynk lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Ruby Lynk - December 07, 2017 at 12:23 PM

KH

“ *Kathy Heltemes lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



kathy heltemes - December 07, 2017 at 12:35 AM

JV

“ *John And Cathy Vidmar lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



John and Cathy Vidmar - December 06, 2017 at 10:19 PM

GC

“ *Gladys Chase lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Gladys Chase - December 06, 2017 at 07:57 PM

EF

“ *Esther And Alan Freitag lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Esther and Alan Freitag - December 06, 2017 at 05:32 PM

 Pam Jenson

“ *Pam Jenson lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Pam Jenson - December 06, 2017 at 01:22 PM

MA

“ *I always enjoyed Mary Ann's upbeat and spunky can-do attitude. We will miss her at Bible Study! Prayers for comfort and peace of mind for her family! 🙏 Marilyn Nervig*



marilynnervig@gmail.com - December 06, 2017 at 12:14 PM

TK

“ *Tammie Klawitter sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Tammie Klawitter - December 06, 2017 at 11:04 AM



“ *In memory of Mary Ann from Margie Andresen*



Margee Andresen - December 06, 2017 at 10:16 AM



“ *Kelly Bain And Family lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Kelly Bain and Family - December 06, 2017 at 09:43 AM



“ *Gail Pierson lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Gail Pierson - December 06, 2017 at 09:27 AM



“ *Myrtle Vierkant lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Myrtle Vierkant - December 06, 2017 at 09:22 AM

DD

“ Debra Dague lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack



Debra Dague - December 06, 2017 at 08:45 AM

BG

“ Bob & Donna Grendahl lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack



Bob & Donna Grendahl - December 06, 2017 at 02:04 AM

JB

“ Jack & Lucille Belch lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack



Jack & Lucille Belch - December 06, 2017 at 12:32 AM

TJ

“ Tiede Dennis Judy lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack



tiede dennis judy - December 05, 2017 at 10:50 PM

HN

“ *Heather Noeska lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Heather Noeska - December 05, 2017 at 10:35 PM

LN

“ *Linda M Nelson lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Linda M Nelson - December 05, 2017 at 10:21 PM

DA

“ *We will cherish the many impromptu visits we had with your mom over the years. God bless your memories. May they bring comfort & keep your mom ever close at heart 🙏*
Hugs, Di & Jerry Anderson

Di Schiller Anderson - December 05, 2017 at 10:08 PM

SB

“ *Sharon Boline lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Sharon Boline - December 05, 2017 at 10:01 PM

BG

“ *Bob & Donna Grendahl lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Bob & Donna Grendahl - December 05, 2017 at 09:41 PM

MS

“ *Mike And Lea Snyder lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Mike and Lea Snyder - December 05, 2017 at 09:11 PM

MJ

“ *I don't think Mary Ann realized how many lives she had touched in her life. Many feel she was a "special" friend because of how she made everyone feel so "special". May she rest in peace. God only takes the best. Prayers of sympathy for the family. Marie Johnson*

Marie Johnson - December 05, 2017 at 08:59 PM

BW

“ *Bob & Phyllis Wilkening lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Bob & Phyllis Wilkening - December 05, 2017 at 08:41 PM

MH

“ *Mary Ahh Hagen lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Mary Ahh Hagen - December 05, 2017 at 08:38 PM

MH

My sincere sympathy to the family from the "Other Mary Ann"

Mary Ann Hagen - December 05, 2017 at 08:43 PM

RK

“ *Rich & Mavis Kendall lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Rich & Mavis Kendall - December 05, 2017 at 08:16 PM

CS

“ *Char Stemson lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Char Stemson - December 05, 2017 at 07:27 PM

RT

“ To Jane and Mikayla and extended family of Mary Ann. We are sorry to hear of the sad loss of your mom/grandmother. As someone once told me when my Dad passed away, you are the legacies left behind and will carry on her memories. Mikayla, we are here for you with group hugs as always. With heavy hearts, The Rhythmette Dance Team.

Rhythmette Dance Team - December 05, 2017 at 07:21 PM

DM

“ Dale & Liz Miller lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack



Dale & Liz Miller - December 05, 2017 at 07:07 PM

PF

“ Peggy & Dale Rosier & Family lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack



Peggy & Dale Rosier & family - December 05, 2017 at 06:51 PM

AA

“ Arlys Andrews lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack



Arlys Andrews - December 05, 2017 at 06:50 PM

MW

“ *Myron And Karen Winkelman lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Myron and Karen Winkelman - December 05, 2017 at 06:02 PM

BH

“ *Bob & Donna Haman lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Bob & Donna Haman - December 05, 2017 at 05:50 PM

MH

“ *Marladene Heinen lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Marladene Heinen - December 05, 2017 at 05:40 PM

IB

“ *Irene And Jerry Baron lit a candle in memory of Mary Ann Erckenbrack*



Irene and Jerry Baron - December 05, 2017 at 04:48 PM