



Frances M. Davison

September 23, 1914 - October 2, 2014

Frances M. Davison slipped gracefully into the next world on Thursday, October 2, 2014 with family members at her side, one week after reaching her one hundredth birthday. She was born Frances Marie McFarlane, at home in Ingram Wisconsin on September 23, 1914 to John and Mary McFarlane. She met a strong and dashing football player in a crowded car when her then-beau said she could “sit on Dave’s lap, he’s the only one I trust”. She and Evron (Davy) shared a 66 year marriage. He preceded her in death as did her parents, brothers, Harold and George “Bub”, and sisters Pearl, Dorothy “Dottie” and Dora.

Fran’s life was defined by her family, her faith, and her friends. She stood side-by-side with her Ranger husband as they built Davison’s Timber Ranch, a family tree farm on the shores of Lake Lucerne. Her cooking and bread making were almost as legendary as her early morning nightie swims. She is remembered for knitting while watching the Packers, and playing bridge with her partners. She loved music and would have enjoyed a career of that had not the depression interfered. She played the violin, piano, and organ, and made sure her three sons learned a musical instrument too.

Frances was a fixture with St. Joseph’s Altar Society, presiding over countless dinners and functions. She was especially proud that she became the President of the Green Bay Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. She shared her time and talents with several generations. Not afraid to share her opinion, it was always offered gently, and with a hug for the betterment of others. A caring lady, she placed the concerns of others always before her own-and her many kindnesses were quiet and genuine.

After her children were grown Fran worked for Peter’s Flower Shop and the Forest Republican newspaper. She also served her community as President of the Lake Lucerne Association, PTA and Band Parents. In her spare time she canned preserves, picked mushrooms, made soap, quilted, sewed, and patched her family’s clothes.

She is survived by truly fortunate sons Michael (Marilyn), Donald (Patricia) and Peter (Brenda). It took a century, but her determination and fine example finally rubbed off slightly on the boys. Frances was also the grandmother to ten: Theresa, Joseph, Sean, Brian, Christina, David, John, Keith, Jennifer, and Melissa. And she is further the genesis of eleven great-grandchildren.

A funeral mass was held at St. Leonard's Catholic Church, Laona on October 6, with burial at the Lakeside Cemetery in Crandon.

The family is grateful for the years of care that Frannie received from the loving hands at NuRoc Community Healthcare, and to those who did not forget her as she outlived her many family members and friends.

Cemetery

Crandon Lakeside Cemetery

Crandon, WI, 54520

Events

OCT 6 **Visitation** 10:00AM - 12:00PM

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St. Leonard Catholic Church
5330 Beech St., Laona, WI, US

OCT 6 **Service** 12:00PM

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Comments



“ Ken And Sheryl Mihalko lit a candle in memory of Frances M. Davison



Ken and Sheryl Mihalko - October 11, 2014 at 08:06 PM



“ Jane-dennis Drangstveit lit a candle in memory of Frances M. Davison



jane-dennis drangstveit - October 07, 2014 at 11:28 AM



“ Mike & Linda Duff lit a candle in memory of Frances M. Davison



Mike & Linda Duff - October 07, 2014 at 08:17 AM



“ To the family of Frances, it has always been a joy to see Frances' face light up when she'd recognize songs we'd sing at NuRoc, and how special it was to recognize her 100th, and sing "happy birthday" to her, just a week-and-a-half ago. That's a memory that I will always have. Whatta gal !!

Gregg Tallier - October 06, 2014 at 01:11 PM



“ Margaret Mccarthy lit a candle in memory of Frances M. Davison



Margaret Mccarthy - October 06, 2014 at 08:21 AM



“ AnnaMarie Combs lit a candle in memory of Frances M. Davison



AnnaMarie Combs - October 04, 2014 at 04:34 PM