



Ms. Annelies Schmidt-Bonacker

September 27, 1920 - February 4, 2014

Annelies Schmidt-Bonacker, of Cortland, passed away Tuesday, February 4, 2014 at Cortland Regional Medical Center surrounded by her loving family and close friends. Annelies was born in Germany the daughter of Johann and Elisabeth Sandmann. She came to America in 1957 where she worked at the family business, Grete Schmidt Textiles in Homer, N.Y. until it closed in 1979. She was a communicant of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Cortland and had attended Tompkins Cortland Community College and SUNY Cortland, where she even taught for a time. Annelies was employed by Cornell University at The Tunison Laboratory. Affectionately referred to as "Mutti", Annelies was everyone's Grandma and was loved by everyone who knew her. She loved baking and cooking and practically lived in her kitchen, She had taught German to the children in the neighborhood and in later years loved Baseball and NASCAR. Annelies loved traveling back to Germany to visit her many relatives. Her amazing life will be remembered by all those who knew her. Her stories of Germany and her journeys etched in our hearts forever. Her absence will be felt forever and leave a void that can never be filled.

She is survived by her daughter; Constanze A. (Charles) Casterline of Cortland, grandchildren, Noreen (John) Bryan, Vivian (Richard) Arnold, Kirk Casterline, Lynn Schmidt-Bonacker and Lori Egan, great grandchildren, Elyssa, Richie, Julia, Nathan, Victoria and Nic., and a special adopted son, Dean Williams. In addition to her parents and two brothers, Annelies was preceded in death by her son, Fritz.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday at 12:30 p.m. in St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church with Rev. Joseph Zareski serving as celebrant. Burial in St. Mary's Cemetery, will be private. The family will be present to receive friends on Saturday from 10 a.m.-12 noon, prior to mass in the Chapel of Riccardi Funeral Home 69 N. Main St., Cortland, N.Y. Contributions in lieu of flowers may be made to SPCA 879 McLean Rd., Cortland, N.Y. 13045 or Caring Community Hospice 11 Kennedy Parkway, Cortland, N.Y. 13045

Comments



“ I had the privilege to not only meet mutti, but have her as a guest in the home of her son, Fritz. I was yet a child but still remember her eating yogurt with what i think was cereal on top for breakfast. I loved to hear fritz and herself speak German! I remember also Lynn comings and staying with us for a week or so. I send my best wishes for the family. She was a wonderful person!! I did not know her son Fritz, had passed also. we had not been in contact since i was a young teen-ager. All Gods comfort be with you all!!

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