



MaryAnn Miller

February 14, 1933 - January 1, 2018

MaryAnn Sarafin Miller, age 84, of Lac du Flambeau, passed away on Monday, January 1, 2018 at her home. She was born on February 14, 1933 in Park Falls, the daughter of Vincent and Florence (nee Halverson) Sarafin. MaryAnn attended college at the University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire. She married Emil Miller on September 9, 1950 and they then moved to Lac du Flambeau. MaryAnn was an avid reader and a strong advocate for public libraries. She enjoyed flower gardening, sewing, knitting and quilting. Her quilting talents were put to use for Lutheran World Relief Services. MaryAnn was a devoted hospice worker for many years. Ever since MaryAnn was a young girl she wanted to become a minister and with help of the Lord, she did. She was truly devoted to her faith and never wavered, she didn't just talk the talk, she also walked the walk. MaryAnn lived a life of service, always giving and keeping her door open to anyone.

MaryAnn was preceded in death by her sister, Birdine Harding, parents and husband, Emil. She is survived by her children, Bob (Pam Hoffman) Kilchroane, Ireland, Bill of Lac du Flambeau, Larry of San Martin California, Jerry of Arbor Vitae, Buffy Miller-Jackson (Tom Jackson) of St Germain and Jeanine Linse of Princeton, NJ; grandchildren, Wyatt, Rebecca, Bradley, Kate, Jake, Emma and Hobby and great granddaughter, Amara.

Visitation will be held from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM on Saturday, January 6, 2018 at the Community Presbyterian Church in Lac du Flambeau, followed by a Funeral Service at 12:00 PM. Interment will be at Memorial Cemetery. In lieu

of flowers, memorials may be given in MaryAnn's name to your favorite local library.

Isaiah 40:31 But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Cemetery

Lac du Flambeau, WI

Tribute Wall

JK

“ So very sorry to hear about the passing of your Mother. Sending prayers of comfort to you and your family.

Jan Klisiak

jan klisiak - January 19, 2018 at 12:06 PM

JG

“ Just heard of your mom passing today Buffy. So sorry for your loss. Can clearly see why you are so talented yourself. As they say the apple doesn't fall far from the tree. Sending our love and prayers to you and your entire family.

John & Patty Gescheidler & family

J. Gescheidler - January 18, 2018 at 03:30 PM

JY

“ To the Miller Family I am so sorry to hear from Billy that your Mom had passed away. I had just seen her at Walmart and she looked fine. I guess now she and my Mom are playing together once again in heaven. Along with our Dads. Buffy if need someone to talk to I am here. This really shocked me I wish I would of known sooner, I would of definitely paid my respect to such a wonderful woman.

Janice Heeren Yunk

Janice Heeren Yunk - January 09, 2018 at 06:59 PM

RK

“ I first met Mary Ann and Emil in the mid 50's while working at the Tower Service Station only two miles from their home. They were beautiful people and Mary Ann remained that way for the rest of her life. I especially remember going on a draft horse sleigh ride with Emil and my family when it was minus 25 degrees. The big bonfire and hot chocolate kept us warm. She regularly attended the Community Presbyterian Church in LDF including just last Sunday. We'll miss your smile and wonderful greeting. Rest in peace. Ralph Kerler LDF



Ralph Kerler - January 05, 2018 at 10:54 PM

CN

“ I was saddened to learn of your mother's passing. She was so very kind to me when I arrived to begin my teaching career in LDF. My condolences and prayers.
Carol Neuberger

Carol Neuberger - January 05, 2018 at 06:22 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of MaryAnn Miller.



January 05, 2018 at 02:39 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of MaryAnn Miller.*



January 05, 2018 at 01:29 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of MaryAnn Miller.*



January 05, 2018 at 11:45 AM



“ *Kamberi Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of MaryAnn Miller.*



Kamberi Family - January 05, 2018 at 11:42 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of your moms passing. She was a beautiful soul.*

Ann and Kirk Miller and family

Ann Miller - January 05, 2018 at 11:28 AM

GW

“ Dear Miller children,
I am so sorry to have to miss the visitation Saturday. Your Mom -
and your family - will always have a special place in my heart.
Love, Georgia

georgia k. wulff - January 04, 2018 at 02:53 PM

TS

“ Your Mom was LOVED and respected by her community, friends
and family. We will truly miss her. She was such an Angel on Earth.
She stopped by at the Hrabik family home this fall, just because
there were so many cars. What a nice visit we had. We even called
her while we were home over New Years weekend, but no answer.
We were thinking of her. She was such a good friend to mom(Pat
Hrabik) and to all of us. We will love her always and miss her and
know that she is now with Emil, Pat and Dean basking in God's
glory. Our deepest sympathy to all of you in the loss of your dear
and precious mother. Sending love and hugs. Terri Hrabik Sterzen
and family

Terri Sterzen - January 03, 2018 at 05:55 PM



“ I met MaryAnn through my husband, George Rehfeld. She called him German George and every Thanksgiving and Christmas for the many years of his bachelorhood he found his way to her table from his apartment in Chicago. Emil built his two cottages on Fence Lake. I came into the picture in the middle 70's and George could hardly wait to introduce me to his "soul sister". Sitting at her kitchen table listening to the two of them talk about her family and friends filled my mind with wonderful stories that for me became my introduction to the "North Country". There was the time she stuffed the intestines of a cow that attempted to jump over a manger and got stuck, no vet was available, so MaryAnn cleaned the wound, replacing the intestines and sewed the animal up. It survived. Then when Buffy was born and the house was filled with workman, MaryAnn asked Emil to build her a cottage where she could nurse in private...he did. Then there were the playboy magazines that found there way into the tree house in the woods...MaryAnn knew. The sick bunny wrapped in an electric blanket behind the sofa...and on and on..the two stoves,washers, and the dormitory that Emil made for "the boys". Her home and heart were always open. I am fortunate to have shared some moments with this kind woman.

Buffy became our 1st child's Godmother and Emil, MaryAnn and Buffy drove to our home in Appleton for the Christening...MaryAnn raided her pantry and furnished our Christening banquet with wonderful home canned pickles and relishes...for our 2nd child's birth she made a christening dress and blanket for George 11, he carried the blanket with him for 4 year, sucking on the lacy border until it was almost all gone. He left it at the airport in St. Louis,MO. and I had to make another one to replace it.

Good by dear friend, you have been a part of my active memory for a long long time. I will miss you. Rest in peace and God bless you.

Judy Rehfeld

Judy Rehfeld - January 03, 2018 at 12:51 PM

GW

“ *Dearest Miller children,
I was so sorry to hear about your Mom's passing. Although we didn't see much of each other in these past years, I will always cherish the many hours at the kitchen table with her. She was a friend and confidant.
Love, Georgia*

georgia wulff - January 03, 2018 at 08:50 AM

JF

“ *What a great lady, many happy memories! Our love to the Miller family.*

Jim and Ann Hunt and Family - January 02, 2018 at 09:40 PM

CI

“ *To the entire Miller family, I cant begin to tell you how sorry and sad I am about your mom. She helped me so much after I lost my mom and became so dear to me. I loved her very much and will deeply miss her and our visits. I am soooo sorry. Cara Kosky Irwin*

Cara Kosky Irwin - January 02, 2018 at 07:26 PM

EB

“ A more beautiful, strong, loving Soul you will never meet. Mary Ann was like a second mother to me (and many others) growing up. She always had words of wisdom, love, practicality and occasionally the WTH were you thinking. Her heart took everything and everybody in. She lived life to the max and she cooked/baked better than most chefs. She will be sorely missed by everyone who met her and that was a very large audience. I cherish and smile at all the "Miller Memories" and send hugs and prayers to Bob, Bill, Buffy, Larry and Jerry during this difficult time. We got this Mary Ann, go hug Emil and my Mom too. Betty Bart

Elizabeth Bart - January 02, 2018 at 07:16 PM

KW

“ Rooster and I are saddened by the loss of Mary Ann, she touched both of our lives greatly! She will be forever in my heart!!!! Love you all!

Kelly Wheeler - January 02, 2018 at 03:29 PM



“ Candy Noffs lit a candle in memory of MaryAnn Miller



Candy Noffs - January 02, 2018 at 06:54 AM