



Mildred Witt

November 25, 1922 - December 16, 2011

Mildred Elizabeth Witt, who owned and operated a gift shop and drive-in restaurant in Minocqua for nearly three decades, died at the age of 89 on Friday, Dec. 16, 2011, at the Golden Living Center in Tomahawk.

Born in Eagle River on Nov. 25, 1922, the last of nine children of John and Caroline Fiedler, she married Reiny G. Witt of Minocqua in October 1945. After operating a gift shop in Eagle River for a few years, they built a home on Hwy. 51 north of Minocqua where the Professional Building stands today, with an adjoining gift shop called Witt's Teepee, and an adjacent drive-in, the seventh Dairy Queen in Wisconsin. The drive-in was renamed the Dairy Dandy in the early 1960s, when the 10-year franchise agreement with Dairy Queen ended.

Mr. Witt passed away in 1968, and Mrs. Witt continued to oversee the businesses and also acquired the Deerskin Corral gift shop in Tomahawk. A decade later she sold off her businesses and retired.

As a member of the Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Minocqua, she was active in the Ladies Aid Society.

Survivors include her three children: Robert G. Witt and his wife, Carol, of The Woodlands, Texas; Bettiann Carrell and her husband, Gene, of Steamboat Springs, Colo.; and Bonnie K. Frieburg of Mosinee, plus three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Internment was in Evergreen Cemetery.

Plans for a memorial service in spring are under way.

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