



Mrs. Leanne J. Frank

June 8, 1942 - August 10, 2020

Frank, Mrs. Leanne J.
Frankenmuth, Michigan

Loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and dear friend passed away unexpectedly on Monday, August 10, 2020, at Ascension St. Mary's Hospital. Leanne J. (Rossnagel) Frank was born on June 8, 1942, in Hammond, Indiana, to the late Walter and Erna (Retzlaff) Rossnagel. She was brought into the kingdom of God through her baptism on June 28th, 1942. She was married to George Frank on August 8, 1964, in Affton, Missouri and he survives her. Leanne is also survived by her children, Anne (Will) Ebel, Jon Frank and Mary (Trevor) Parks; her loving grandchildren, Jeanette, William, Hannah, and Olivia Ebel, Jada, Mia, and Silas Parks; her sister, Jeanine Bugg; brother-in-law, Ren (Kathy) Frank; sister-in-law, Maggie Strobel; also many other loving extended family and friends. Leanne was predeceased by her parents, Walter and Erna Rossnagel; in-laws, Carl and Flora Frank; daughter, Marlene Frank; brother, Ted Rossnagel; brother-in-law, Donald Bugg; brother-in-law, John Frank; sister-in-law, Judy Frank; brother-in-law, Fred Strobel.

Prior to her retirement, Leanne worked as a Lutheran School Teacher in Aurora, Illinois, and at Holy Cross and Bethlehem Lutheran in Saginaw. She taught kindergarten and fourth grade. After retirement, she volunteered in a number of different capacities including tutoring, working in the school library,

Stephens Ministries, MOPS, and helping with Sunday school. She sang in the senior choir, attended and led Bible Classes, enjoyed being part of the red hatters, various card clubs, exercise group at St. Lorenz, reading books, walking, riding her bike, and various sewing projects. She loved spending time with her 7 grandkids out on the farm. Leanne and George were blessed with good health and able to be active and travel often to various favorite destinations such as Blind River, Ontario, Mackinac Island, and Minnesota. While it is difficult to not list all of her numerous wonderful qualities and to describe her steadfast lovingkindness, it is clear that Leanne would have certainly hoped to leave no other legacy than to deflect all attention from what she has done for others to what Christ has done for her and for us all. This sentiment is poignantly and positively expressed in Leanne's confirmation verse; II Corinthians 5:15 "And He died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died for them and was raised again."

Due to the on-going health issues and gathering limitations, distancing is requested and face masks are required. Leanne's visitation will be held at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 808 Weiss, Saginaw, Michigan, on Friday, August 14, 2020, from 2:00 p.m to 6:00 p.m. Leanne's funeral service will be 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 15, 2020, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. The Rev. Michael Korte will officiate, then Pastor Larry Hauser will conduct her committal and burial at St. Lorenz Lutheran Cemetery in Frankenmuth, Michigan. Those wishing to express their sympathies are asked to consider memorial contributions to Bethlehem Lutheran Church and School or Valley Lutheran High School, in loving memory of Leanne. Memories and sympathies of Leanne may be shared with the family on her memorial website at WakemanFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Lorenz Lutheran Cemetery

140 Churchgrove
Frankenmuth, MI 48734

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **14.** 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Bethlehem Lutheran Church
808 Weiss St.
Saginaw, MI 48602

Funeral Service

AUG **15.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethlehem Lutheran Church
808 Weiss St.
Saginaw, MI 48602

Committal Service

AUG **15.** 12:30 PM (ET)

St. Lorenz Lutheran Cemetery
1030 W. Tuscola St.
Frankenmuth, MI 48734

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Leanne J. Frank*

September 13, 2022 at 05:01 PM



“ *Mrs. Leanne J. Frank*

September 13, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ *Dear Anne and family...please accept my deepest condolences on the passing of your mother. May God give you comfort and peace during this difficult time.*
Joyce (Hammerbacher) Gendron

Joyce Gendron - August 18, 2020 at 07:13 AM



“ *Mary and Family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. You all are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*

Brooke Newvine

Brooke Newvine - August 17, 2020 at 09:10 AM



“ *George and family*
I was terribly saddened to hear of Leanne's passing. I truly enjoyed sharing a memory or two after a sporting event, usually talking about our great family that we share. What a legacy she left for us all to enjoy. May God be with you all at this difficult time.

Mark Jarlock - August 16, 2020 at 05:49 AM

KG

“ George and family, My prayers for God's peace and comfort to with all of you at this time. I have many fond memories of our time at Concordia, River Forest.

Ruth Eckstorm informed me of Leanne's passing to her eternal home.

In Christ,

Ken Germann

Kenneth Germann - August 15, 2020 at 02:34 PM

TL

“ The Livingstons purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mrs. Leanne J. Frank.



The Livingstons - August 14, 2020 at 11:30 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Leanne J. Frank.



August 14, 2020 at 06:54 AM

KR

“ Dear George ~ My heart and many prayers go out to you and your family. I am so very sorry to hear of Leanne's death. I will never forget knowing her in Lutheran High School in St. Louis and at Concordia, River Forest. You and Leanne were inseparable in college. I can still see the 2 of you walking around campus together. I also have many memories in Europe together with you and Leanne on our European Study Tour group after college. May our Lord hold you in the palm of His hand and support you through this tough time.

Kay (Van Cleve) Richter

Kay Van Cleve Richter - August 13, 2020 at 06:44 PM

HC

“ Mrs. Frank taught me how to make the perfect pie crust at MOPS. She was always a radiant beaming light for Christ. The Angels in Heaven gained one amazing lady. - Haley Cottrell

Haley H Cottrell - August 13, 2020 at 03:38 PM

PW

“ George and Family,
Leanne was such a wonderful lady. We enjoyed getting to know her at the library when she would bring Silas in for Story Time. We loved seeing her every few weeks to pick out her own books. She was a friend to all of us at the library and will be missed. Our deepest sympathy to your family.

The staff at the Frankenmuth Wickson District Library.

Pamela Williams - August 13, 2020 at 03:27 PM

LT

“ Love, The Williams Family (Shannon & Todd) purchased the *Your Light Shines* for the family of Mrs. Leanne J. Frank.



Love, The Williams Family (Shannon & Todd) - August 13, 2020 at 03:12 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Leanne J. Frank.



August 13, 2020 at 01:26 PM

CD

“ Mr. Frank,
Anne, Jon and Mary and your families,
What a wonderful person Mrs. Frank was !
May she rest in the arms of angels .The
Bethlehem family was lucky to have her for so
many years and I was glad my children and grandchildren had the
honor of her being one of their teachers. What a loving and caring
person !!!



Jim and Connie Doak

Connie Doak - August 13, 2020 at 10:22 AM



“ George (and family),
Playing Euchre and making pretzels with Leanne & you, Lori & Steve Buchinger, and my late hubby, George Rummel are special memories. Thoughts and prayers for you and family. Karen Rummel

Karen Rummel - August 12, 2020 at 09:53 PM



“ George, thoughts and prayers are with you and family for the loss of Leanne. She is a beautiful person and spirit! What a wonderful legacy she leaves behind!

Karl Nitz - August 12, 2020 at 09:36 PM



“ My deepest sympathy to you and your family, George. We will miss Leanne, however, a blessing to know that she is with our Heavenly Father in heaven
Mary Kuske

Mary E. Kuske - August 12, 2020 at 08:46 PM

LB

“ To George and Family,
Words cannot express the loss of our dear friend, colleague, card club partner, and most of all Child of God. Her laugh and her smile were contagious. Her quiet, kind, soft spoken manner will always be remembered.

“The journey into God’s presence requires a departure, and that brings sorrow for those who remain. But what joy to think of your loved one’s arrival into the very arms of a loving Heavenly Father.”

(Randy Alcorn “Heaven”)

Remember the promise of Jesus: “Because I live, you also will live.”
John 14:19

With our deepest sympathy,
Steve and Lori Buchinger

Lori Buchinger - August 12, 2020 at 07:53 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Leanne J. Frank.



August 12, 2020 at 06:27 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mrs. Leanne J. Frank.



August 12, 2020 at 04:19 PM

JD

“ So sorry to hear of Leanne’s passing, I have truly enjoy being her hairstylist for 34 years and sharing our faith together! I will be out of town but just know I will miss her! God’s blessings to all of you! Jill

Jill Davenport - August 12, 2020 at 03:24 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mrs. Leanne J. Frank.



August 12, 2020 at 01:08 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Leanne J. Frank.



August 12, 2020 at 12:55 PM

JH

“ Dear Frank Family.
May the unending love, support and peace of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, be yours at this time.
“He tends His flock like a Shepherd; He gathers the lambs in His arms and carries them close to His heart.” Isaiah 40:11.
Rest in Jesus.
Judy Hillman

Judy Hillman - August 12, 2020 at 12:55 PM

DD

“ *Leanne was a wonderful Christ-centered woman and a close friend since the time we first met George and Leanne in 1964 when they came to Aurora to teach. Early on, each of us had a child of the same age which brought us together for many occasions at church. We recall Dolores and Leanne walking together to Phillips Park with our children in their strollers, many gatherings at St. Paul, and our "Young Couples Club".*

Through the years, we have enjoyed many great times together. When they moved back to Michigan, we missed those early times. But, we continued our friendship with occasional visits and phone calls. We will always remember our final phone call between the four of us on July 24 that lasted 1 1/2 hours. We didn't realize at the time that this would be the last time we would speak to Leanne. We will always cherish that memory.

Although circumstances prevent us from being there in Saginaw this weekend, our hearts and prayers are with you, dear George and family. We will all be missing Leanne but it gives us great joy to know she is in Heaven with our Lord.

With Loving thoughts, Walt and Dolores

Dolores Duy - August 12, 2020 at 12:19 PM



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August 12, 2020 at 10:10 AM

BH

“ *Leanne will be greatly missed. She was a wonderful person and so full of faith. My prayers are with you, George, and the rest of your family. Blessings, Brenda H.*

Brenda H. - August 12, 2020 at 09:54 AM

SH

“ *To the Frank family: We are very saddened by your loss. We will always remember the wisdom, kindness, and strong faith exhibited by Leanne. May you find strength & peace in knowing she is in the arms of our Savior. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Russ & Shawn Hillman*

Shawn Hillman - August 12, 2020 at 09:54 AM

AW

“ *I am so sorry to hear of your loss. My prayers and blessings are with you at this difficult time. God bless.*

Angie Wegener - August 12, 2020 at 09:48 AM

MP

“ *To the Frank family. We are saddened by your loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.*

Matt & Jenny Princing

Matt Princing - August 12, 2020 at 08:38 AM

ST

“ Leanne was my "Mentor Mom" in Bethlehem MOPS in 2009 when I was teaching full time with two small children at home. She always had words of wisdom and support for us newer mom's and took her mentor role seriously. When she promised to pray for me, I appears knew she did because she would mail a nice, handwritten notecard to my home letting me know she had prayed for my struggles and would continue to support and pray for 2 me. We remained friends and I enjoyed hearing her sing in the Annual Boar's Head Festival at Bethlehem and catching up after the show. We'd chart in the busy, crowded church lobby and she always made time for me as I'm sure she did for countless others in her sphere of influence. What a wonderful woman who will be missed. Rest in heaven, my friend!

Stephanie - August 11, 2020 at 11:47 PM

LS

“ May God's loving arms be your strength and comfort now and always!! Prayers for all her family.

lisa Stanley. - August 11, 2020 at 10:47 PM

PB

“ Leanne was an active and faithful member of Bethlehem. I grew to appreciate her knowledge and faithfulness to the Lutheran Faith, which she put into practice with her pro-life work at church and in the community. She was a great support to her husband's music ministry and to the Stephan Ministry at Bethlehem. It was an honor and pleasure to be one of her Pastors at Bethlehem. I see her faith in Christ carried on in her children nd their families. Christ has certainly used her well in spreading His Gospel and sharing His gracious love. Etta and I will miss her. Our prayers are indeed with George and the entire family.

Pastor Charles Buckhahn - August 11, 2020 at 07:33 PM

GF

Prayers for the family

Golz Family - August 12, 2020 at 07:38 PM

MC

*So sorry for your loss. I so enjoyed Leanne in my stretch class. And also getting to know George. We will miss Leanne and her beautiful dedication to our Lord. Prayers for your family.
Marsha Campbell.*

marsha campbell - August 13, 2020 at 09:05 AM

RW

*We bid farewell to a close and dearest friend. Leanne leaves behind a heritage of faith in her Lord, and a great love of family and friends. We all take comfort in the common faith that we share in our Savior's promises of eternal life, and the hope of the resurrection.
Ruth and Tom Wegener*

Ruth and Tom Wegener - August 15, 2020 at 07:51 AM

AL

*My sincere condolences, George and family.
Gus Laesch*

August Laesch - August 15, 2020 at 04:48 PM

MR

Praying for you in your loss. May God give you strength to bear this loss, as only He can do, and grant His loving comfort to you and your family. "I am your God, I will strengthen you. Yes, I will help you, I will uphold you." Isaiah 41:10

Marilyn Roekle

Marilyn Roekle - August 16, 2020 at 10:17 AM

DK

Kenny and I send our sincere sympathy and love to you and your family. May God's love strengthen you. We have many fond memories of your visits to Blind River. What a wonderful role model Leanne was to all of us. God's love and comfort be with you. Sincerely- Diane and Kenny

Diane Kennedy - August 17, 2020 at 10:05 AM