



Mrs. Martha (Krenz) Erzen

November 10, 1917 - November 28, 2010

Erzen Mrs. Martha (Krenz), of Saginaw, Michigan. Age 93 years. Martha was called home to her Lord on Sunday, November 28, 2010, at the Hoyt Nursing & Rehab Centre. Martha was born on November 10, 1917, in Saginaw, to the late David and Anna (Schneider) Krenz. She was married to Otto H. Erzen on November 20, 1941, in New Boston, MI. He predeceased her on June 20, 1988. Prior to her retirement, Martha was employed in manufacturing by Columbia Mills (Illinois Shade). She was a member of Gethsemane Lutheran Church, was a dedicated Detroit Tiger's fan, and loved to cook and bake for her family. Surviving are her three children and their spouses; Karen and Paul Ecker, Bridgeport; Linda and Jim Priebe, Saginaw; Ron and Linda Erzen, Saginaw. Seven grandchildren; Greg and Kerri Ecker, David and Renae Ecker, Mark and Dawn Priebe, Debra King, Beth and Randy Harpel, Brian Erzen, Lisa and Matt Maher; 11 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by three brothers and four sisters; David, Manuel, and Herman Krenz, Katherine Gay, Lydia Zietz, Tillie Bierlein, and Lydia Cameron.

The Celebration of Martha's Life will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 1, 2010, at Gethsemane Lutheran Church, 3412 Crestmont Dr., Saginaw Twp. The Rev. Michael Wilke will officiate with burial in Eastlawn Memorial Gardens. Friends are welcome to visit with the family at the Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc., 1218 N. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, on Tuesday from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., then at the church on Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service. Memorial contributions may be given to

Gethsemane Lutheran Church. Memories and sympathies of Martha may be shared with the family on her Obituary page at www.WakemanFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Eastlawn Memorial Gardens

7475 E. Holland Rd.
Saginaw, MI 48601

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Martha (Krenz) Erzen*

September 13, 2022 at 05:01 PM



“ *Mrs. Martha (Krenz) Erzen*

September 13, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ *I was so sad today when I heard about Aunt Martha's passing. She was an amazing woman much like her older sister, Tillie Krenz-Bierlein. She had such a huge heart and was such a talented giving person. I remember those amazing Afghans that she stitched together with love for our family's graduations, weddings, and baby christenings. In addition, she never missed a holiday or special occasion and sent cards and gifts of money to not only her great nephew Scott, but also to our children, Steven, Sheila, and Shaun. Aunt Martha, you are loved and missed by all who knew you, but I know that you and Uncle Otto are finally together again. My thoughts and prayers are with your family and friends during this most difficult time.*”

Michelle Ittner-Ulman - December 01, 2010 at 08:12 PM



“ *Martha was my great grandma Tillie Bierlein's sister. My thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time.*



Sheila Ittner-Koeppendoerfer - December 01, 2010 at 07:47 PM

MK

“ I remember Aunt Martha loved dogs, baseball and beer (although I'm not sure in that order). I remember how she gave the best hugs (even better than Aunt Karen--who is hard to beat), spoke her mind, and clearly loved to laugh. I'll always be grateful to her for the kindness she showed me during my grandfather's funeral, and for always remembering me with a card on every holiday. Our family still uses the two afghans she made for us--they're in our living room and are used almost every day. It's clear that Aunt Martha didn't just live a long life, but a full and rich one as well.

May God hold you all a little tighter in His embrace as you go through this difficult time. You will be in our thoughts and prayers.

Mark Lynn Klammer - November 30, 2010 at 06:11 PM

KM

“ I remember Aunt Martha & Uncle Otto playing cards with my Mom & Dad, Aunt Kate & Uncle Roy DeBolt when I was little. One time I remember they lived in a trailer house, we ate spaghetti and it was either raining or snowing. I don't know if you remember me but I remember Aunt Martha, she was always so kind and sweet. Keep your hands in God's hand children and it will get easier as the years pass. I love you all and you will be in my prayers. May God Bless always.
Kay (DeBolt) McMillan



Kay McMillan - November 30, 2010 at 12:14 PM

JH

“ *I remember her wonderful smile. Also dancing at weddings and singing German songs and drinking cold beer. She was a lot of fun. Jane Asmus Hohensee*



Jane Hohensee - November 29, 2010 at 06:58 PM

RO

“ *1 file added to the album Mom*



Ron - November 29, 2010 at 06:12 PM

 Lisa
Maher

“ *Lisa Maher lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha (Krenz) Erzen*



Lisa Maher - November 29, 2010 at 04:35 PM

 Lisa
Maher

I don't even know where to begin... She was probably the funniest woman I have ever met! She always told you exactly how she felt, while making you laugh at the same time. I will always remember our trips up north together, and how much she loved it there. Listening to the Tiger games by the fire with a cold beer was her favorite place to be. I have so many fond memories of you gram, that I will never forget. Please watch over all of us, and know that you were and are loved dearly... XOXO

Lisa Maher - November 29, 2010 at 04:40 PM

DJ

“ *Debbie, Jenna, Joshua lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha (Krenz) Erzen*



Debbie, Jenna, Joshua - November 29, 2010 at 04:06 PM

DJ

We love u gram! We all miss u!


Debbie, Jenna, Joshua - November 29, 2010 at 04:07 PM

TF

“ *the best water fight probley was @ linda & rons green st house we used every bucket / cup we could get our hands on it went on over hour & we were all soaked what a blast that was & if memory servs me right martha thru the 1st glass water*



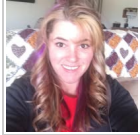
timothy farrell - November 29, 2010 at 01:33 PM


Michelle
Gazella

“ *Michelle Gazella lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha (Krenz) Erzen*



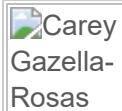
Michelle Gazella - November 28, 2010 at 08:06 PM



“ *Christy Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha (Krenz) Erzen*



Christy Henderson - November 28, 2010 at 06:07 PM



“ *Carey Gazella-Rosas lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha (Krenz) Erzen*



Carey Gazella-Rosas - November 28, 2010 at 04:41 PM



“ *Kerry Reuther lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha (Krenz) Erzen*



Kerry Reuther - November 28, 2010 at 04:05 PM



“ *Rachael Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Martha (Krenz) Erzen*



Rachael Jones - November 28, 2010 at 03:35 PM