



Mrs. Mona Ann (Leichner) Ware

February 6, 1929 - April 21, 2011

Ware, Mrs. Mona Ann (Leichner), of Frankenmuth, Michigan passed away Thursday, April 21, 2011, at Covenant Medical Center-Cooper. Age 82 years. Mona Ann Wachowiak was born on February 6, 1929, in Saginaw to the late Anthony and Martha (Peplinski) Wachowiak. Mona was first married to Robert Leichner on November 20, 1948. He predeceased her on June 24, 1977. She was then married to Charles Ware on June 25, 1982. He predeceased her on January 31, 1990. Mona had worked as a legal secretary at the Frank Pulaski Law Firm for many years. She was a member of St. Christopher Catholic Church, Bridgeport. Mona was an avid bingo player, loved to draw and write poetry. Surviving are her children, Marion (Michael) Klaczkiewicz, Frankenmuth; William Leichner, Frankenmuth; and Elizabeth Ann Leichner-McKeon, Millington; two grandchildren, Matthew (Danielle) Klaczkiewicz, Jayna Marie Leichner, one great-grandson, Brandon Klaczkiewicz; many nieces and nephews; one brother and one sister, Duane (Joan) Wachowiak, Saginaw; and Katherine (Dr. Gene) Arindaeng, Livonia. She was predeceased by two sisters, Grace Leichner and Dorothy Sullivan.

Memorial service will take place 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 26, 2011, at St. Christopher Catholic Church, 3945 Williamson Rd., Bridgeport. The Rev. Fr. Duane Wachowiak will officiate. Private burial will take place in St. Andrew Cemetery. Friends are welcome to visit with the family at the Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc., 1218 N. Michigan Ave., on Monday from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.,

where a prayer vigil will be held at 7:00 p.m., led by David Wachowiak. Visitation will continue at the church on Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of service. Memorials may be given to St. Christopher Catholic Church, National Association for Down Syndrome or the American Lung Association. Memories and sympathies of Mona may be shared with the family on her Obituary page at www.WakemanFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Andrew Cemetery

381 Saint Andrews Road
Saginaw, MI 48638

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 25. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc.
1218 N. Michigan Ave.
Saginaw, MI 48602
(989) 752-8531
wakemanfh@charter.net

Service

APR 25. 7:00 PM (ET)

Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc.
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Visitation

APR 26. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Christopher Catholic Church
3945 Williamson Rd.
Saginaw, MI 48601

Service

APR 26. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Mona Ann (Leichner) Ware*

September 13, 2022 at 05:01 PM



“ *Mrs. Mona Ann (Leichner) Ware*

September 13, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ *Mona was a very spirited lady. I will miss her, Caring for her was a blessing. I loved her like a mother our visits were special. My prayers are with you in this time of sorrow. May God help you find peace Mona and as well to her family.*



Patsy Jordon-Shooltz R - April 26, 2011 at 11:32 AM



“ *Dear Matt and family, we're so sorry to hear your grandmother has passed away. I know she meant a lot to you as well as Jason. He would come home & tell stories & laugh over her pet names for you two. Jason said "I don't even know her name, only as Grandma". May these memories forever stay in your heart, she will always be near watching over you and your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Matt, your mother and uncle especially. Rick & I can't be there but know you are thinking of you.*



Our Sympathy, Rick, Mary & Jason Bhirdo & Donna Sny.

Rick & Mary Bhirdo - April 25, 2011 at 03:23 PM

TS

“ *Trista Stephens sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Mona Ann (Leichner) Ware*



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“ *I remember when Aunt Mona would come into Big Boy where I worked many years ago. She usually had Matt with her and/or occasionally Bethy. Aunt Mona was a witty, lovable & comical women. You just can not help but love to be around her. I cherish the time I was able to spend with her.*

Trista Stephens - April 25, 2011 at 02:29 PM

MK

“ This has been very hard to accept that my grandmother is gone, She was a big part of my life, not only was she my grandma but my best friend as well. I remember the days of driving around talking, and laughing doing the craziest things, Being at Meijers and having her answer the random phone and a customer thinking she was the worker. I never thought this day would come,, just because its grandma, she will always make it through, because she is is such a strong woman, but to me she did make it now she is looking down at me guiding me in the right direction just as much as before. Yes it was strange celebrating Easter without her there but I know she was, looking over our shoulders sayin something to make us all laugh, just as she did before.

Matt Klaczkiewicz - April 25, 2011 at 08:36 AM

BL

“ It's strange to observe Easter without Mo being there. Though I'm certain my experience is not dissimilar from others who have lost a parent related to grief and upset; the immense "hole" that is left in my life is palpable. Marion and I knew she was beset with challenging physical conditions and she was 82 but Mo always seemed to fight back and land on her feet. It was wrenching to see her experience greater difficulty with recuperation following a hospital stay that continued to increase in duration. It's like we would almost "bargain" for one more birthday, one more holiday, one more year - but it doesn't work that way. For me, I eventually became more "of the day" and would greatly appreciate each day when Mo would be relatively free of pain exhibiting her typical zest for life that included humor and great interest in anything we "kids" shared with her. In many ways she kept us going at least as much as we tried to keep her going.

Bill Leichner - April 24, 2011 at 06:52 PM

MR

“ Marion -- Not sure if you remember me or not, It's been a long time since we worked together at the Saginaw News and went to lunch quite often at Sullivans on East Genesee -- Monica Bauer (Ritchie, now) Please accept my sincere condolences in the loss of your Mother. . I was reading the obituaries online and recognized the last name (Leichner) and read further, realizing that it was your Mom . I lost my Mom in 2005 at the age of 87 and no matter how full a life they've lived, it's never easy to lose a parent -- we were with her too at the end and it was experience I will always hold near and dear to my heart -- as hard as it was to say goodbye. It does get easier with time and I hope your memories of happier times will help ease your sorrow in the days and weeks ahead. Feel free to drop me an email sometime -- monaritchie@aol.com. Take care of yourself.

Monica Bauer Ritchie - April 24, 2011 at 05:28 PM

CO

“ Marion, I am so sorry for your loss and I have to say they are right when they say time heals. It may not feel like it now but in time it will. I remember you sharing funny stories of your mom at work and I will never forget playing euchre with her at your house. She truly was a character and will be missed. I pray that God will be with you and your family in your time of need.

Courtney Owens - April 24, 2011 at 09:11 AM

MK

“ Quite simply, my mother was the best. I am so happy my brother & I took time to be with her a lot and help her and to just talk to her throughout her life. We were present when she passed - can't tell you how wonderful it is to feel she KNEW we were there surrounded by our love I will always have wonderful memories of my mom. Hard to think/talk about her right now, though, without tearing up. They say time heals.....I hope "they're" right.



Marion Klaczkiewicz - April 24, 2011 at 07:08 AM

DT

“ *Bill and Marion,(and Bethy)*
My sympathies to you and your families. Your mom was a good person and very caring. I truly enjoyed spending times watching Bethy all those years ago so that she could go to BINGO. Marion - doesn't seem like your son can be that old yet either - Remember watching him as well - when he was a baby.
Prayers and thoughts are with each of you.
Diane Tobias

Diane Tobias - April 23, 2011 at 06:24 PM