



Mary E. Kisiel

March 3, 2015

Mary Elizabeth Kisiel (née Hickman) passed away peacefully at her home in Pittsgrove, NJ, March 3, 2015 at the age of 87.

Mary is survived by her husband of nearly 68 years, Frank Kisiel. Mary is also survived by her son Frank (and Linda) Kisiel, son Kenneth (and Yvonne) Kisiel, daughter Sandra (and Michael) Keys, and daughter Robin (and Shawn) Testone. Also mourning her loss are nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Mary is preceded in death by her daughter Barbara, her parents, Thomas and Anna Hickman, three brothers, and two sisters.

Mary was born on May 6, 1927. During her childhood the Hickman family resided in Pitman, NJ. While still in her early teens the family moved to Camden, NJ. This move set the stage, a few years later, for a chance meeting at a local roller rink with Frank. The couple skated into marriage on March 29, 1947. They would ultimately settle in West Deptford, NJ and raise their family. Mary proved to be adept as a stay-at-home mother, contentedly undertaking the work of making a house, a home. As the years passed, Mary welcomed all of her grandchildren, and then great-grandchildren into her heart. In time, Mary and Frank moved south, to spend their lives together in the warmth of the Florida sun. After 26 years of making memories, while living and in the shadow of Disney World, Mary and Frank moved back to NJ to be close to family and friends.

Mary was blessed with a quick mind, and a sharp wit. Her smile could always be counted on to brighten your day. She had an uncanny ability to recall

details of events long since passed and was recognized as the unofficial family historian. She excelled at managing all aspects of family activities, insuring that everyone felt they had received special consideration. She loved playing bingo and telling stories of her youth. She was a member of the Elmer Presbyterian Church and the Sherwood Forest Community Chapel. She signed every greeting card "all our love" and its recipient never for a minute doubted that it was true. Above all else, Mary was the center of the universe for her husband Frank. Their marriage was a union as deep as it was true, serving as model and inspiration to all, especially their children, as to how to spend a loving life together.

A private interment will be held at Eglington Cemetery in Clarksboro, NJ.

Tribute Wall

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“ *My heart is hurting since we lost our sweet Aunt Mary. She was always a joy to be around & we will miss her every day. She is now with my Dad & her other 2 brothers along with her sweet Barbara & I know they are looking down on us with smiles, (the Hickman's love to smile). Thank you Aunt Mary for all the wonderful memories & for loving us all equally. RIP until we meet again.*

Judy Hickman O'Connor - March 12, 2015 at 05:06 PM

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“ *She was truly a beautiful woman inside and out. Rest in peace, Mom. I love you.*

Linda Kisiel - March 11, 2015 at 06:15 PM