



Del Mae M. (nee: Gatzke) Halberstadt

November 13, 1929 - June 24, 2010

RACINE - Del Mae M. (nee: Gatzke) Halberstadt, 80, passed away on Thursday June 24, 2010 at Franciscan Villa, South Milwaukee. Del Mae was a lifelong resident of Racine, born on November 13, 1929, the daughter of the late Alfred and Relindas (nee: Heuer) Gatzke. She was a graduate of William Horlick High School 'Class of 1948'. On June 21, 1952, Del Mae was united in marriage to Glenn R. 'Smitty' Halberstadt at Trinity Lutheran Church. Del Mae found great enjoyment in bowling and was secretary of a Douglas bowling league for many years. She was very active with Second Presbyterian Church as a substitute church organist and found great joy in singing in their choir and teaching children's choir.

Del Mae is survived by one son and daughter-in-law, Glen (Lora) Halberstadt of Racine; grandson, Ryan Glenn, granddaughter, Lillian Mae; brother-in-law, Donald Christensen, sisters-in-law, Marge (Bill) Jensen and Elizabeth Halberstadt all of Racine. She is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and dear friends in Racine and Green Bay.

Del Mae was preceded in death by her husband, Smitty on July 30, 2004, sister-in-law and brothers-in-law, Betty (Carl 'Butsy') Halberstadt, Richard Halberstadt, sisters, Dolores Christensen, Audrienne Hanson and a brother, Alfred Gatzke.

Funeral services for Del Mae will be held at Sturino Funeral Home on Monday June 28, 2010, 11 a.m. with Rev. Alan McCalister of Second Presbyterian Church officiating.

Del Mae will be laid to rest next to her husband Smitty, at Graceland Cemetery. Visitation will be held at Sturino Funeral Home on Sunday from 3 until 5 p.m. and on Monday from 10 a.m. until service time at 11 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, the Halberstadt family would appreciate memorials to St. Monica's Senior Home, 3920 N. Green Bay Road, Racine, WI 53404.

Del Mae's family would like to extend a very heartfelt thank you to the entire staff at St. Monica's for the compassionate and spiritual care they provided.