



Fannie Wynstra

December 17, 1917 - June 5, 2011

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RACINE – Fannie Wynstra, 90, passed away on Sunday, June 5, 2011 at her residence. Fannie was a lifelong resident of Racine, born on December 17, 1920, the daughter of the late Henry and Sadie (nee: Westra) Wynstra. She was a member of Atonement Lutheran Church, Rachel Circle and Retired Inactive Nurses Group.

Fannie worked side by side with Dr. Elizabeth Steffen for more than 35 years, as a R.N. and a nurse practitioner, one of the first in this area. She was dedicated, conscientious and knowledgeable in all areas of women's healthcare and was honored as Nurse of the Year in 1995. In 1990, when Health Care Network, Inc. was in the process of beginning on-site clinics using retired doctors, there was no R.N. on its staff, it was Fannie who, as a volunteer, set up all of the medical aspects and the day-to-day operations of the clinic. When Health Care Network, Inc. moved in 1992 to 904 State St., it was Fannie again who set up the rooms, instruments and supplies for the clinic. She dedicated her life to the health of our community with compassion and professionalism, and will be remembered by many.

Fannie is survived by one, brother, Alex (Mildred) Wynstra, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, brother-in-law, Frank Christensen of Racine, nieces and nephews, Patricia (David) Kadish, Bruce (Ginger) Wynstra, Faye (Jim) Bonini, Kurt (Marilee) Christensen, in addition to other relatives and many dear friends in Racine and throughout the medical profession.

She was preceded in death by one sister, Anne Christensen and two brothers, Reinhold and Jacob (Ida) Wynstra.

Funeral services will be held at Atonement Lutheran Church, 2915 Wright Ave., on Friday, June 10, 2011 at 11 a.m. with Rev. Dr. Warren Williams officiating. Fannie will be laid to rest in a private ceremony at Graceland Cemetery following services. Visitation will be held at church on Friday from 9:30 a.m. until time of service at 11 a.m.

Memorials may be directed to Atonement Lutheran Church or Health Care Network of Racine, 904 State Street, Racine, WI 53404 in Fannie's name. The entire Wynstra family would like to thank Joannie, Jai and Margaret for their loving care, compassion and friendship given to Fannie over the years.

Cemetery Details

Graceland Cemetery

Racine, WI