



Frances A. Adams

November 2, 1930 - March 20, 2013

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RACINE-Frances Ann (nee: Miksa) Adams, 82, passed away at her residence on March 20, 2013 with her family by her side. Frances was born in Braidwood, Illinois on November 2, 1930 the daughter of the late Francis and Frances (nee: Borowicz) Miksa. She was united in marriage to Richard C. Adams on February 12, 1950 in Aurora, Illinois.

Frances was a highly respected piano teacher in Southeastern Wisconsin and a longtime member of the Racine Music Teachers Association. She taught and inspired students of all ages for over 40 years, many of whom went on to excel in competitions and festivals, and continue to play to this day. Her musical talents were also evident as she accompanied Richard, her tenor soloist husband of 61 years, as well as her children. Always striving to better herself and find outlets for her creative energy, Frances listened for God's still small voice urging her toward new adventures. Frances was a published author of articles in Christian magazines regarding the daily walk as Christians, a gardener, a jam and jelly and pie maker from the fruits of her gardens, a professional research assistant, a genealogist, and an avid reader. In her soft spoken manner, Fran never stopped sharing her faith in Christ. She led by example, showing her family, sisters and brothers, and her friends the meaning of unconditional love. Frances loved God. She loved her family. She had no greater joy or calling than being a wife, mother, sister, and friend. Frances is survived by her children, Tom Adams, Rhonda Barnes, Laura

(Peter) Medendorp, Philip (Laurie) Adams, grandchildren, Jennifer (Bobby) Brader, Luke Adams, Ben Adams, David Barnes, Erica (David) Bardeau, Joseph (Clare) Medendorp, Nathaniel (Kristin) Adams, Caleb (Alexandra) Adams and Mikah Adams. She is further survived by great grandchildren, Anna and James Bardeau, Lauren Medendorp and Cullen Brader, siblings, Daniel (Betty) Miksa, Gloria Jones, Elsie (Ron) Sadler, Sandra Rylatt, Dr. Francis (Mary) Miksa, Hazel (Jim) Kempton, Ron (Sherry) Miksa, Bonnie Hiltenbrand, Linda (Jim) Wolf, and sister-in-law, Laura Langfield.

Frances is further survived by special friends Pat Gant, Rose Stanek and Sue Parker, in addition to nieces, nephews, other relatives and many dear friends. She was preceded in death by her husband Richard, on January 23, 2012, brother-in-law Milton Langfield, son-in-law, Harry Barnes II, and special friend Lois Sutton.

Funeral services will be held at Sturino Funeral Home on March 23, 2013 with Rev. Doug Aldrink officiating. She will be laid to rest next to her husband at Southern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery in a private ceremony. Visitation will be held at the funeral home on March 22 from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. and on March 23 from 1p.m. until service time at 2p.m.

The Adams family would like thank Keith Deaton, a longtime family friend, and to express a special thank you Tracie Barnes and the staff of Gentiva Hospice for their loving and gentle care of our mom.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **22**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sturino Funeral Home
3014 Northwestern Avenue
Racine, WI 53404
(262) 632-4479
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Visitation

MAR **23**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

MAR **23**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry to hear of Fran's passing. I remember her fondly from way back in Racine College of Music days when she taught along with my mother, Lina Van Koningsveld. I had the priviledge of knowing her through RMTA and valued her spirit and knowledge of teaching that influenced me and made me a better teacher because of her. So glad to remind myself that we'll make music together again one day for the King of Kings! Dorie Petersen NCTM.

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