



## Roberta Catherine Jerstad

March 13, 1926 - December 23, 2014

WIND POINT – Roberta Catherine Jerstad, 88, passed away on Tuesday, December 23, 2014 at Ridgewood Care Center. She was born in Marshfield, WI on March 13, 1926 to the late Dr. Stanley L. and Sophie C. (nee: Mikna) Krzysko.

Roberta was a graduate of St. Mary's Academy and Marquette University. While she was a receptionist to R. W. Baird, she met her husband, then a trainee at the same firm. She was united in marriage to LeRoy H. Jerstad Jr, on May 29, 1948 in Milwaukee. They were married for 43 years before he preceded her in death on August 31, 1991. Together they were fortunate to have traveled the world. She missed him dearly.

Roberta was one of the original members of the St. Mary's Hospital Auxiliary, a member of the Junior League and Racine Country club until her death. In 1963 she was honored as one of Porters Furniture's Women of Distinction for her community volunteerism. An honor she cherished all her life. She also volunteered at the Prairie School library in its infancy. But her fondest interests were always sewing, art and design: attending art classes in both the Racine and Milwaukee areas with Sister Thomasita.

Roberta was the complete mother embracing all the duties that entailed. From cooking, sewing, schooling, hosting family and parties with the neighbors, she will be most remembered for sneaking into our bedrooms in the middle of the night to make sure our windows were closed during late night thunderstorms. She followed her children all over the state supporting their club and State

YMCA swim teams. When her children were grown she enjoyed a new sense of accomplishment by working as a teller at the American Bank on 5th and Main. She enjoyed interacting with people. She also brought her children the love of the Holidays, old movies and classical music and pets.

Later in life she enjoyed collecting and working on miniature houses often travelling with friends to shows around the state. She also got to spend more time with her beloved grandsons. She was involved with their care from their very beginnings and was very proud of all their accomplishments.

Roberta is survived by her children, Julie A Jerstad, Lee Sandy Jerstad, both of Racine, Eric S. (Karen) Jerstad of Los Angeles, grandsons; Reid, Blake and Nash Bauman. She is further survived by nieces, nephews, other family and friends mostly in the Milwaukee area.

She is preceded in death by her husband, sisters; Jane Saskowski, Connie Cordon, Leona Marsek and Anita Beck.

Mom, Grandma...you will be missed!

Memorial visitation will be held at Sturino Funeral Home on Tuesday, January 13, 2015 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. She will be laid to rest with her husband at Mound Cemetery.

Memorials to Wustum Art Museum or Jerstad Family Nursing Scholarship at Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare – All Saints Foundation.

And a special thank you to the staff at Ridgewood Care Center for the loving care given to Roberta. Thank you Mattie, Patty, Robin and Lawrence.

## Cemetery Details

### Mound Cemetery

Racine, WI

## Previous Events

### Visitation

JAN 13. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Sturino Funeral Home  
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Racine, WI 53404  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Sturino Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Roberta Catherine Jerstad*



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**Sturino Funeral Home** - January 12, 2015 at 03:08 PM

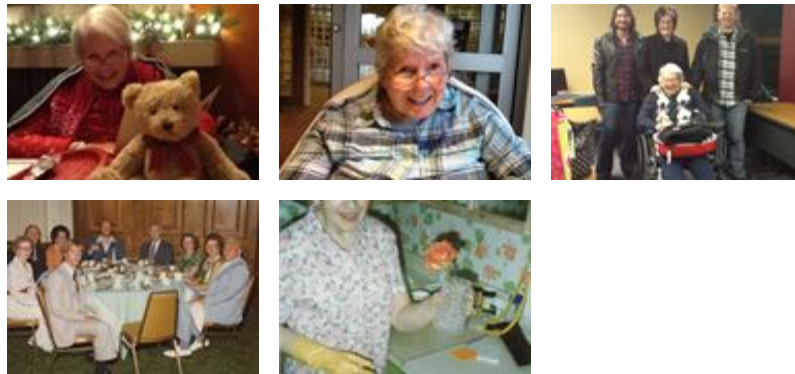
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“ *Thanks for sharing all the great pictures, its real nice to see her laughing and being silly in some of them. She was a beautiful lady till the end and she will be missed.*

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**Patricia Graceffa** - January 13, 2015 at 01:21 AM



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“ *I'm a Junior League of Racine member. Prayers to the Family.* ”

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**Dawn Engelmann-Patzke** - January 02, 2015 at 09:24 AM