



Martha F. Casey

June 26, 1914 - July 30, 2009

Martha Bernice Casey (nee Fabian) 95, of Narberth PA died in her sleep at Vitas Hospice, Fitzgerald Mercy Hospital on Thurs. July 30, 2009, after a long illness.. She was the wife of the late Jeremiah Michael, and mother of Jeremiah Michael Jr. (husband of the late Ruth Brooke-Casey) and David Charles (Alice) She was the daughter of the late Francis Marion Fabian and Esther Fabian (nee Warner) of Narberth, both originally of Riegelsville, Bucks Co.

Martha was a "minister without portfolio" in the art of kindness, a person who made home wonderful and made everyone she knew feel at home. She knew how to listen to people and shared empathetically in the lives of friends, neighbors and family. She never forgot an important event in the lives of her friends. A passage from Proverbs seems written about her: "Her ways are ways of pleasantness and all her paths are peace." She had a simple way of sculpting souls that emanated warmth and good feeling.

Mom loved to read, especially history and current nonfiction. She was active and outspoken in politics, a rabid FDR Democrat. But she liked people too much to hurt the feelings of her Republican friends. She left a stack of pencil drawings and much needlepoint as testimony to her love of art. Most of all, however, Mom invested time in people: family, friends and neighbors. Her caring ways paid great dividends to her and her family in her last years. A host of loving neighbors fed her, cared for her, took her to hospitals and doctors, shopped for her, and, lovingly, looked out for her when family was ill or

unavailable. A wonderful next-door neighbor, when asked by her children how the kindness of neighbors could be repaid, said "Just being her friend was enough."

Many friends will remember Mom as the friendly clerk at Wynnewood Post Office from 1952-77. Others will recall the lovely young lady at the candy counter at Davis Store (now Mapes in Narberth) in earlier years. Almost everyone in Narberth will remember an old friend, a Methodist Church enthusiast, an XYZ volunteer, and a Women's Club Member. Her children, family members and friends will remember the world's best fudge, pot roast, homemade vegetable soup, chocolate chip cookies and incredibly sound advice tempered with utmost personal warmth and understanding.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend her Funeral Service on Sat. Aug. 8, 11am in the Chadwick & McKinney Funeral Home, 30 E. Athens Avenue, Ardmore, PA , where you may call after 10am. Interment at Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers and other remembrances, Mom would like you to make contributions to the Narberth Fire Company, 100 Conway Avenue, Narberth, PA which, in her words, along with our Police force, comprise the "real heroes" who protect us all.

Tribute Wall



“ Martha was a dear friend to my family and she will live in our hearts forever. I met Martha in 2007 when I moved into the house across the street from her in Narberth. I gave birth to my son, Kyler, in March of 2007 and Martha was like a grandmother to Kyler. Kyler loved visiting her. Martha was the first one who taught him the rhyme "this little piggy went to the market and this little piggy stayed home...." Kyler also learned how to blow a kiss from Martha. Whenever he blew a kiss to her when we were saying goodbye, she always responded with "I caught it!" She was such a kind and spirited person and will truly be missed by all those who have known her.##imported-begin##Ying Zhou##imported-end##

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“ I will miss Martha Casey, my dear, dear friend with whom I shared so many life events. She was the first neighbor to visit me after the birth of my daughter Sascha and then Rachel. She attended their Baptisms, Holy Communions and lastly Rachel's wedding in 2008. She so loved Christmas and preparing for the holiday. We always enjoyed her tree that she carefully decorated, the creche she had since the depression, the little tin figures, trains and Jerry Mahoney sitting in the red chair. Every year she lovinly preped a little Christmas tea party for our family. We looked forward to it and really enjoyed it. A precious memory forever.##imported-begin##Mary Anne Newberg##imported-end##

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