



Esther Counts Kasperek

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Sturtevant – Esther Counts Kasperek, 91, passed away on Friday, March 22, 2019 after a long illness. She is a descendant of Johanas Kountz who, in 1752, settled with his family on a 350 acre land deeded from English King George II in the Crims Creek area of South Carolina's Dutch Fork. The daughter of Lutheran Missionaries, Esther was born in Sanoyea, Liberia, Africa on July 1, 1927 where her parents were serving at the time. Educated at Tennessee, Virginia, and South Carolina schools, she was a graduate of Marion College, Marion, VA and earned an RN degree from Lankenau School of Nursing Philadelphia, PA. In Philadelphia, PA, on June 17, 1950 she was united in marriage with Frank Kasperek. In her lifetime, she was employed as a Registered Nurse at Fitzsimons Army Hospital, Denver, CO, The Sturtevant Clinic, and the Racine Medical Clinic from which she retired in 1985. A longtime member of Mount Pleasant Lutheran Church, her activities included the Altar Care Committee, Quilters, and WELCA. She was also a member of the Lincoln Lutheran Auxiliary, Woman's Missionary Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, The Hoy Audubon Society, and for many years she served as a Volunteer Naturalist at the Racine River Bend Nature Center. Esther, a Master Gardener, was a lifelong lover of nature, especially small birds and flowers. She and Frank also wrote a Counts Family History, a copy of which is on file at the University of South Carolina's Caroliniana Library. She is preceded in death by her parents, The Rev. Paul M. and Bertha E. Counts; a sister, Miss Miriam E. Counts; a brother, Paul M. Counts Jr.; and her much loved son and daughter-in-law, George Paul and Donna Lynn Kasperek beside whom she will be laid to rest. She is survived by her husband of 68 years, Frank; her daughters: Dr. Sue K. Goetz, DVM, MPH, of Bristol, WI, and Elizabeth (Mike) Phillips of Arpin, WI, Virginia Ruth (Mike) Kelley of Woodinville, WA; six grandchildren, and five great grandchildren. A Private Memorial Service for Esther was held at Wilson Funeral Home. It was one of Esther's last wishes that in lieu of flowers, memorials



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may be made out to Mt. Pilgrim Lutheran Church Cemetery Fund (P.O. Box 6, 135 Highway 85, Haralson, GA 30229), Mt. Pleasant Lutheran Church Quilters, and/or Racine River Bend Nature Center.



Events

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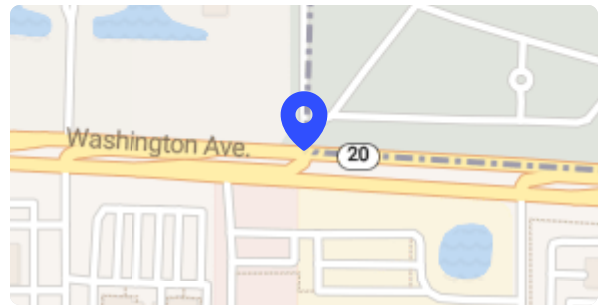
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Cemetery Details



West Lawn Memorial Park

9000 Washington Avenue, Mount Pleasant WI
53406





Tribute Wall

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JN

Jane Nielsen posted:

I'm so sorry to hear of Esther's passing. I knew Esther from working at Racine Medical Clinic in the 1970's. She was a very smart and compassionate nurse with such a calming presence. She was loved by all and a joy to work with. I have thought of her often over the years, always good memories of our times together. Please accept my sincere condolences. Jane Nielsen

April 13 at 1:23 PM

LK

Lyn Kiley posted:

Esther had always been a welcome face at the meetings of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She was an generous member with her time and talents. She has been missed these last few years. Lyn

April 10 at 6:45 PM

SE

Shirley Elwood posted:

Dear Frank and Family, Bill and I (your former neighbor's) were so saddened to hear of your loss. We knew that Esther was a very special lady! I will miss her and our chats. With Sympathy from Both of Us Shirley & Bill Elwood

April 5 at 7:28 AM

RI

Rita posted:

Frank, My sincere sympathy on your loss. It sounds like her life sounded was incredible and amazing! I will be making a donation to River Bend Nature Center in her memory. Kind regards, Rita Sorensen 417B

April 2 at 5:04 PM

CW

Curtis L. Wallin posted:

Frank, My deepest sympathies to you and your family. Curt Wallin, Beaufort, Missouri former Case Employee

March 29 at 7:34 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Esther by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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