



## Darlene "Blondie" M. Kuhl

November 25, 1930 - January 26, 2013

November 25, 1930 - January 20, 2013 Mass of Christian Burial will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday, January 26, 2013 at St. Martin Catholic Church in St. Martin, MN for Darlene "Blondie" M. Kuhl, age 82, who died Sunday morning at Pine Villa Nursing Home, Melrose, MN. Burial will be in the parish cemetery. Relatives and friends may call from 4:00 – 8:30 p.m. Friday at the St. Martin Parish Hall in St. Martin. Parish prayers will be at 4:00 p.m. followed by a rosary with the St. Martin Christian Women and Catholic United Financial. Visitation will continue from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Saturday morning at the parish hall. Darlene Mary was born in New Munich, MN to Herman and Veronica (Torborg) Behnen on November 25, 1930. She grew up in New Munich, MN and attended school in New Munich until the 8th grade. To help out the family, she never went to high school and began work as a home aid for young mothers in the New Munich area when they first had their babies. She and her sister Carol later went to work in a local canning factory and helped bring home money to support the family farm. Blondie married Hugo "Hooky" J. Kuhl on June 27, 1950 in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, New Munich, MN. They were happily married for 57 years. Once her own kids were in school she went to work for Chick's Supper Club in Melrose for many years as a cook. Throughout her working years, preparing and serving food was her specialty. Blondie was a member of St. Martin Christian Women and Parish, and Catholic United Financial. She enjoyed cooking, baking, canning fruits and vegetables, playing cards and bingo, embroidering dish towels, quilting,

traveling, bowling, making rag rugs, and garage sales. Her dill pickles were legendary. Survivors include her children, Ken (Dawn) of North Granby, CT, Dennis (Sheila) of Wilsall, MT, Rick (Barb) of Bloomington, Charlie of White Bear Lake (friend, Debbi Dusik), Jeanne (Kent) Engebretson of Starbuck, and Kathi (Shane) Meisner of Leonardtown, MD; brother and sisters, Melvin (Bernice) Behnen, Bertie Lou (Sylvester) Gruber, Leora Fenech, Alyce (Red) Bennett, Carol (Vern) Linz, Theresa Drone, and Veronica Kunstleben; brother-in-law and sisters-in-law; Matthew (Sharon) Kuhl, Sr. Rita Kuhl, O.S.F., and Bernelda Kuhl; 7 grandchildren, Phil (Heather) Kuhl, Emily (Tom) Filburn, Lillian Kuhl, Garrett Engebretson, Forrest Csuy, Erica Csuy, Jordan Kuhl; 8 great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Hugo "Hooky"; infant son, Thomas Mark; and brother, Herman Behnen, Jr. The family would like to give a special thank you to Pine Villa Nursing Home and Albany Hospice Care for the wonderful care they gave Blondie. Arrangements are with the Wenner Funeral Home in Richmond, MN.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Darlene "Blondie" M. Kuhl*

January 29, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *To the Family: I am so sorry for your loss. The death of a loved one is never an easy matter for any of us to cope with, but we do have the assurance of our Heavenly Father that he will comfort us in all our tribulations. (Psalms 55:22) Death was never a part of the Creator's purpose for mankind, so, he has furnished a guarantee by means of his Son, Christ Jesus, that we will see our loved ones again. (Acts 24:15; John 5:28) I pray that you may draw comfort from these words.*

**Carolyn Calhoun** - January 26, 2013 at 07:21 PM



“ *To the family of Darlene Kuhl - Please accept my deepest sympathy for the death of your Mother. I have many fond memories of time spent with you. I will never forget the week that I was to learn the ins and outs of being a country homemaker, so there I was picking beans in the neighbors garden almost before daybreak! Then we snapped and canned! Fun and humor with Richard kept me there for the entire week. Funny what we remember from 40 years ago... Your mom wrote to me through the years mostly around Christmas time. I'm sure she touched many lives as she did mine. Sincerely, Rita*

**Rita Monroe Dorman** - January 26, 2013 at 12:41 AM

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“ OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY tO ALL THE KUHL aND BEHNEN FAMILIES ON THE DEATHE OF YOUR MOTHER DARLENE GRANDMOTHER AND GREAT GRANDMOTHER AND OUR SISTER ON THE GREAT LOSS . OUR HEARTS AND PRAYERS GO OUT TO YOU ALL. LOVE AND PRAYERS ALWAYS.  
ALYCE RED AND FAMILY WR8

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**Alyce abd Red Bennett and Family** - January 23, 2013 at 11:48 AM

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“ *Dearest Kuhl Family,*  
*We were so saddened to hear of Aunt Darlene's passing. We pray that you may be comforted that she is now no longer suffering, and is rejoined in Heaven with Uncle Hooky. I will always remember the special times we shared the few times I've traveled to Minnesota. You are in our prayers as you go through this difficult time.*  
*Brenda, Xavier, Wyatt and Zachary*

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**Moscoso Family** - January 21, 2013 at 10:49 PM

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“ *Our sympsthy to Kenneth,Dennis, Richard Charles, Jeanne,Kathi and families on the death of your Mother, mother-in law, grandmother, great grandmother.*  
*May she have eternal rest in Heaven*  
*Ronny kunstleben, Terry Drone, Alyce & Red Bennett, Carol & Vern Linz, Lee Fenech, Bertie & Cy Gruber, Mel & Bernice Behnen*

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**Ronny Kunstleben** - January 21, 2013 at 11:38 AM

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“ MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO DENNIS AND ALL HIS SIBLINGS. I MET BLONDIE AND HOOKY AT SHEILA AND DENNIS'S WEDDING MANY YEARS AGO, AND REMEMBER THEM AS A LOVELY FAMILY.

SINCERELY, NADINE CHAMBERS

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**NADINE CHAMBERS** - January 21, 2013 at 08:58 AM