



Marcella "Marssy" Cheeley

May 8, 1923 - November 25, 2013

May 8, 1923 – November 21, 2013 Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m., Monday, November 25, 2013 at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Cold Spring, MN for Marcella "Marssy" Cheeley, age 90, who died tragically in a car accident on November 21, 2013. Entombment will be in the family mausoleum in the St. Boniface Parish Cemetery. Relatives and friends may call from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m., Sunday, November 24th at the Wenner Funeral Home in Cold Spring. Parish prayers will be 8:00 p.m. Visitation will continue from 9:00 – 10:00 a.m., Monday morning at the funeral home. Marssy was born on May 8, 1923 in Benton County to Anthony and Helen (Strzywski) Wojciechowski. She graduated from Foley High School in 1940, and then moved to Detroit, Michigan. She was united in marriage to Patrick Cheeley, Jr. in Detroit on June 19, 1943. They eventually moved to Cold Spring, MN in 1953, where they began to raise a family. Marssy was a dedicated employee of Fingerhut from 1963-1973, and then St. John's University from 1974 until her retirement in 1985, at the age of 62. She was a former member of the Resurrection Choir of St. Boniface, an honorary member of Christian Mothers, a 50-year member of the American Legion Auxiliary, a charter member of the Rocori Senior Center, where she served on the Executive Board for six years. She volunteered for many functions in the Cold Spring area. Marssy was a spirited and independent woman until the day of her death. She raised four children, was a proud and supportive wife of a police officer, and later, reveled in the love and laughter of her grandchildren, all of whom she knew well and kept

close contact with, even into their adulthood. She was a conversationalist, a record-keeper, and a thinker, moving quickly beyond small talk to memorable conversations of meaning and substance. Marssy was a dedicated Vikings fan, a proud “Pollock,” and a champion cribbage player. She was an avid fisherman for much of her life, and a frequent spectator of local sports. More than anything, she was a much loved mother and grandmother. She is survived by daughters Judy (Allen) Schefers of Wayzata, MN and Bonnie Kaye (Royce) Nies of Sartell, MN; sons Pete (Joyce) Cheeley of St. Cloud, MN and Scott (Susan) Cheeley of Cold Spring, MN; siblings Wanda Murray, Mary “Nene” Johanson, and Arnold Wojciechowski, all of Foley, MN; nine grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband, Patrick Cheeley, in 1988; parents Anthony and Helen Wojciechowski; brothers Ed, Harry, and James Wojciechowski; grandson Troy Schefers in 1999; and twin infant granddaughters, Andrea Kaye and Anne Marie Nies, in 1977. Memorials are preferred.

Tribute Wall



“ *Marcella "Marssy" Cheeley*

January 29, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *Cheeley family, we are so very sorry for the loss of your Mother, Grandmother & friend. What a long & beautiful life to have lived to be ended so quickly & tragically. Cherish her beautiful memory. Thoughts & prayers go out to all of you.*

Jim & Jill Krebsbach - November 23, 2013 at 11:50 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of your loss and will be thinking of your family in my prayers.*

Ron Seibring - November 22, 2013 at 05:33 PM