

Vivian Victoria Masanz

01/23/1933 - 12/14/2023

Vivian Victoria Masanz, 90, of Winneconne, WI died of cancer on Thursday, December 14, 2023. She was born in Marathon County WI. on January 23, 1933, to Sophie and Louis Stencil. Vivian met her future husband, Eugene Masanz, at Poplar Tree Ballroom, in Marathon County. Eugene and Vivian began dating in July of 1948, and were married in Castle, WI on June 1, 1950. They lived in Bear Creek, WI where Eugene owned a service station. After 13 years her family relocated to Oshkosh. Vivian remained in Oshkosh until the passing of her husband Eugene and later, mother, Sophie. It was after these events that she made the decision to move to Winneconne to be closer to her daughter and her new twin grandchildren.

Vivian is survived by her three children, Donald Masanz of Oshkosh WI, Brian (Sue) Masanz of Tucson, AZ, and Tina (Robert) Nagler of Winneconne, WI; nine grandchildren, Rachel (John) Hutnik, Lindsay (Jesse) Larsen, Colin Masanz, Natasha Masanz, Joseph Nagler, Jessica (Travis) Novotny, Jeremy Nagler, Kristi Nagler, and Brandon Nagler; seven great-grandchildren, Madison Hutnik, Claire Larsen, Hudson Larsen, Mikayla Kopplin, Ty Nagler, Emma and Ari Novotny; sister in-law, Sandy Stencil; nieces, Brenda Hess and Linda Hutchinson. Vivian and her friends were practically inseparable throughout their lives. Some of her closest friends were, Stan and Darlene Christenson, Harold and Carmen Smith, Wayne and Barb Richmond, Bill and Karen Hanneman. More often than not, if you were looking for Vivian on the weekend you could find her at her country get away near Redgranite, WI. Sitting around the campfire with close friends or family remising about days gone past.

Vivian worked several jobs throughout her life, from working at a glove factory, to a knitting mill, later finishing up her working career with three separate stints at Copp's Department Store.

Vivian was an active member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oshkosh, and later with St. Mary Catholic Church in Winneconne.

Everyone who knew Vivian knew how much she enjoyed puzzles, Rummikub, Bingo, reading, and Wisconsin sports. She also enjoyed feeding hummingbirds in the summer months. She enjoyed craftmaking (too many to mention), and spending time with her grandchildren. Vivian will always be remembered for her giving heart and the way that she was always willing to go out of her way for others. You couldn't have asked for a better wife, mother or grandmother. She will be missed every day; her memory will live on in the hearts of all those who knew her.

Vivian was preceded in death by her husband, Eugene Masanz; her mother and father, Sophie and Louis R. Stencil; a brother, Louis L. Stencil; as well as multiple lifelong friends and extended family members.

A visitation for family and friends will be on Saturday, December 23, 2023, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at Mueller Funeral Home 904 E. Main St. Winneconne. A funeral service will be held on Saturday, December 23 at 1:00 p.m. at the funeral home. Interment will follow at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Oshkosh.

If you wish, please submit online condolences to muellerfh.net.