

Bernadette C. Novak, 83
Sauk Rapids, MN
Dec. 27, 1931 - Nov. 8, 2015

Memorial services celebrating the life of Bernadette C. Novak, 83, of St. Cloud and formerly of Coon Rapids will be at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 12, 2015 at the Daniel Funeral Home Chapel in St. Cloud. Bernadette died on Sunday, Nov. 8, at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Home in Sauk Rapids. Reverend Steven Binsfeld will officiate. Inurnment will be in the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery, Little Falls.

Visitation will begin at 10 a.m. on Thursday at the funeral home.

Bernadette was born on December 27, 1931 in Foley, to Edward and Plautilla (Tkaczik) Skajewski. She married Bob Novak on Aug. 18, 1952 at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Gilman. Bernadette and Bob raised six children and have six in-laws; Theodore and Nancy (Varner) Novak, Jeff and Georgia (Reiter) Novak, Mike and Trish (Landwehr) Novak, Denise (Novak) and Jeff Cropp, Steve

and Natalie (Gessell) Novak and Anita (Novak) and Jeff Kahl. Bernadette and Bob were blessed with 13 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren they loved very much.

Bernadette always stated that becoming and being a mother was the greatest work she had ever done, and becoming a grandmother was a bonus. She enjoyed gardening, sewing, fishing with a cane pole and being outdoors. Bernadette will be missed and it is only now that we realize how much she loved each and every one of us. Thank you Mom and Grandma.

A heartfelt thank you from Bernadette's family to the people at Good Shepherd Memory Cottages for their care and concern.

During the 15 years Bernadette was an Alzheimer's victim, she touched many lives on a day to day basis. Memorials are preferred to Alzheimer's research.