



## Alverna Josephine DeRoode

February 14, 1927 - February 5, 2017

Born February 14, 1927 in Ghent, MN and died in St Paul, MN on February 5, 2017. Preceded in death by husband Robert John, daughter Rebecca Day, Mother Mary (Baert) and Father Leo Curwick, sisters Eileen and Elizabeth, brothers Bernard and Lawrence, Father and Mother-in-law Theodore and Mary DeRoode. Survived by daughters Christine Matimba, Gloria, Miriam, Melissa DeRoode, and Mary Saunders; 16 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren, brothers Edward (Joyce) and LeRoy Curwick (Kay), sisters Marie Sullivan, Kathleen Drown, Virginia Steinfadt, and Valerie Jakob (Thomas), brother-in-law Theodore DeRoode (Nancy), sister-in-law Clara DeRoode; numerous nieces and nephews, cousins and friends. "Mother, we love and thank you for your devotion and care. The gifts you passed on to us - an open heart and love for life and people, gratitude for the love of God and the spiritual, a spirit of generosity, love for learning, an appreciation for nature, beauty, music, art, books, the spoken word, cultures and people around the globe, and all walks of life, we will treasure forever". Visitation from 4-8 at Rehkamp Funeral Home, 411 W Lyon. Marshall, MN Friday, 2/10. Funeral Mass St. Eloi Church Ghent, MN on Saturday, 2/11 at 11AM. Memorials preferred to family. A celebration of Ali's life will be held in Metro Area when warmer weather arrives.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 10. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Rehkamp & Horvath Funeral  
411 W Lyon St  
Marshall, MN 56258  
(507) 532-4522

## Service

FEB 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

Saint Eloi Church  
306 W McQuestion St  
Ghent, MN 56239

# Tribute Wall

MC

“ To all members of Alverna's large family,

*This is a short message from your Kirouac cousins from north of the border.*

*François Kirouac, the President of the Kirouac Family Association, in his name and in the name of the KFA Board of Directors, and of all the members of our family association, sends one and all our deepest condolences as you mourn your mother, grandmother, sister, and friend. Alverna was a great lady, you will miss her but she will keep looking after you all from where she is, in heaven surrounded by roses. And every time she will help one of you, it will be a rose she is sending you.*

*Sincerely,*

*For the President and the KFA Board*

*by Marie Lussier Timperley who had the privilege of meeting Alverna twice at KFA gatherings and could never forget such a lively lady.*

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**Marie Lussier Timperley, from Canada** - February 10, 2017 at 01:39 PM

TF

“ *The Bernard Curwick Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Alverna Josephine DeRoode.*



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**The Bernard Curwick Family** - February 10, 2017 at 01:06 PM

LL

“ To my DeRoode cousins and my Curwick Aunts....I am sure my Mama has been welcoming Alverna, smiling and talking as they were always able to do. Some of the very best times I have had was in that happy presence of all the sisters. Alverna was always kind, always a class act woman, and could be hilarious. I spent my last day with my Mom in the company of Burma .She had traveled with Rick and I to the Nursing Home. I will always think of them together, mostly because that is how I knew them best, and love them . And I love you all. Linda

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**Linda Lang** - February 09, 2017 at 07:20 AM

BC

“ Awwhhh Heaven has welcomed you home I am sure Aunt Alverna. So many good memories of one of the funniest and loving relatives in the world! Hello and hugs for all the family!

*Brenda Curwick  
(Ed Curwicks daughter!)*

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**brenda curwick** - February 08, 2017 at 01:12 PM

RB

“ *Hi Dear Family*

*Alverna was a favorite cousin, always so personable and very active, upbeat, and full of life. I remember Alverna was here in Bemidji when my mother, Louise, died.*

*She had come to visit my mom in the hospital with cousins Mary Lou, Alfred, and*

*Kay, I believe. That was in 2001. It was wonderful to have them here. We will be*

*traveling to Arizona, so will miss this fond farewell to a wonderful full and exuberant*

*woman. Greet everyone for me. Cousin Rosemary Bakke ( Louise Baerts daughter)*

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**Rosemary Bakke** - February 08, 2017 at 11:02 AM