



Lorretta "Connie" Nitsch

September 10, 1915 - November 3, 2018

At 103 years young, Lorretta "Connie" Nitsch joined her loved ones in heaven on November 3, 2018. Born in Cando, ND the middle child of 9 siblings in the Wilde family, she grew up surrounded by love and laughter. In 1935 she met and married the love of her life, Karl Nitsch. His job with Burlington Northern took them to various cities in MN and MT. In 1961 they settled in St. Anthony Park MN. With daughter Jan Soderling they became part of the community. Active in her church, Connie became the "minister" of food and comfort at St. Anthony Park Methodist Church. She was always in the kitchen creating comfort food and nourish souls with her wisdom. With the arrival of her granddaughters, Christie and Diana (Duffey), Lorretta's family was complete. The celebrations with family and friends brought loved ones together throughout the years. Granddaughters, nieces, and nephews came from miles away to experience the joy of being with unconditional love and her exceptional cooking. Lorretta "Connie's" care packages were a treasure. Lorretta and Karl's 75th wedding anniversary celebration was a reflection of their enduring love for each other, the many friendships they had developed and the family connections they nurtured through the years. As we celebrate the life of our beloved Mom, Grandma, Aunt and Friend; we count our blessings for every act of kindness, thoughtful word, supportive phone call, a piece of pie with a cup of coffee, our rock, our forever angel, Lorretta Connie Elsie Wilde Nitsch. Funeral services will be Thursday, Nov. 8 at 11 AM at HOLCOMB-HENRY-BOOM-PURCELL Funeral Home, 536 Snelling Ave. N.,

St. Paul (visitation 10 AM). Burial at Roselawn Cemetery. Memorials preferred to Centennial United Methodist Church SAP Campus.

Tribute Wall

RW

“ *She was a fine lady - I will miss her!*

RONALD WILDE - November 18, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *So many memories! Loretta was such a blessing. She will greatly be missed. Aunt Loretta is now finally back together with Uncle Karl!*

Dawn Schaenzer - November 18, 2018 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ *There is nothing that anyone can say or do that will in any way lessen the sadness and grief of losing our wonderful Aunt. She was a blessing to all*

Nancy and Bob Creel - November 14, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ *I love Connie and will miss her. For a lady as special as her 103 years does not seem like enough years to be with us here on Earth. She is beautiful inside and out. I am keeping Jan and the rest of Connie's family and friends in my prayers. I am so blessed to know her and call her my friend.*

Laura Smith - November 07, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ *My parents, Wes and Dolores Ohman, knew Connie from the St. Anthony Park United Methodist Church. They kept in touch with Connie after moving back to Detroit Lakes in 2002. They spoke so highly of Connie and treasured her friendship.*

Diane Ohman Hughes - November 07, 2018 at 12:00 AM

GS

“ So thankful for the wonderful life of our dear Aunt Lorretta! How she has blessed us and inspired us through the years! Sending lots of love, hugs and prayers!

Greg and Sue Sproul - November 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Connie will always be an early friend when we joined the St. Anthony Park Methodist Church. It was so much fun helping out in the kitchen, having the Senior Meal, and enjoying the entertainment and participation. Our son lived in the same apartment building, and Connie often asked how James and Mayda (daughter) were doing and Gordy (my husband) enjoyed her company.

Sandra Miller - November 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ I have a lot of fond memories baking pies, bread, and preparing meals at the Methodist Church with Connie. She made me an honorary member of the Methodist Women. I loved her dearly and will miss her.

Gordon Miller - November 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM