



Mary Jan Tesarek

October 15, 2014

Tesarek, Mary Jan Age 92, passed away October 15, 2014. Mary was born to Jan and Bozena Fanta on Sept 17, 1922 in Vetrny Jenikov, Czechoslovakia. They immigrated to the USA in 1924 and settled in Hopkins, MN, where her brother John Fanta was born. After graduating from Hopkins High in 1940, Mary worked for the Charles Stone Company in Mpls. In 1947, she married the love of her life, Emanuel Tesarek, at Jan Hus (later Faith) Church. For the next 30 years, they raised raspberries and 5 children on their Minnetonka farm. Descended from a long line of bakers, Mary and her famous koloche will be missed. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and brother. She is survived by daughters Janice (Mike) Roers, Joyce (Norm Petrik) Tesarek, Terry (Brad) Narr; sons John (Cheri) and Tom (Penny); grandchildren, Jennifer (Tom) Roers Iverson, Gina (John) Roers Liemandt, Dan Petrik, Julie (Ian) Petrik Lynkclip, Becky (Bill) Olson, Tony (Casie), Matt (Ericka), James & Paul Narr, Amanda & Michelle Tesarek; great-grandchildren Kailey, Allie, Kyra, Laurel, Rachel, Nick, Ben, Stella & Tristan; sister-in-law Virginia Fanta and many nieces, nephews and cousins both in the USA and the Czech Republic. Services will be held Friday, October 24th at 11 am at Faith Presbyterian Church in Minnetonka with visitation 1 hour before. Memorials preferred to Sokol, MN.