

Theresa Mary Lanners was born on May 4, 1931, to John and Julia (Kelly) Ledermann. She died peacefully in her sleep on September 3, 2019, at the age of 88. She was preceded in death by her husband Robert, parents, stepmother Pauline (Otto) Ledermann, sister Elaine, and infant siblings Angela and Leo.

After graduating from Brandon High School in 1949, Theresa continued her education at St. Cloud Business School. After earning her Associates degree, Theresa worked at the Douglas County Courthouse in Alexandria, and later at the bank in Brandon. When most of Theresa's children were grown, she owned and operated her own gift shop in Brandon.

Theresa was united in marriage to Robert Lanners on January 13, 1954. They resided in Brandon until 1988 when they moved to Alexandria. Theresa was a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church in Brandon and St. Mary's Catholic Church in Alexandria. She was a member of Christian Mothers, taught CCD at St. Ann's, and was active in church events.

Theresa enjoyed baking, gardening, playing cards and traveling. However, her greatest love was being mom and grandma to her kids and grandchildren. The number of school events that Theresa attended to watch her children and grandkids is innumerable. She was a Cub Scout leader and a Band Mother. Theresa and Bob were eager to welcome their children's friends at their home, always ready to throw pizzas into the oven to feed the masses.

Theresa displayed tremendous strength and resilience throughout her life. As a baby she lost her birth mom, who was forever the source of Theresa's strong love for and connection with her Irish heritage. In her adolescent years, she endured four years of tuberculosis treatment at Glen Lake Sanatorium located west of Minneapolis. Later in life, Theresa persevered despite many surgeries, a few accidents, and the death of her husband. Her strength has been a continuous source of inspiration to her children and grandchildren.

Theresa is survived by her children; Kathryn (Steve) Carlson of Detroit Lakes, Greg (Mara) Lanners of Brandon, John Lanners of Brandon, Kevin (Jennifer) Lanners of Albertville, Mike (Karen) Lanners of Victoria, and Janet (Jim) Keister of St. Michael. Theresa's grandchildren include Megan (Chris), Melissa, Austin, Quinn, Jack, Kyle, Molly (Boston), Abbey, Zach and Carly. Great grandchildren include Micah, Emmett, Briella and one on the way. Also surviving Theresa are her brothers: Jerome (Betty), Adrian (Gail), Florian (Joann), Ben (Annette), and Phil (Julie) Ledermann and sister in law Lorine Vipond.

Memorials preferred to Hospice of Douglas County.

*God hath not promised
skies always blue,
Flower strewn pathways
all our lives through;
God hath not promised
sun without rain,
Joy without sorrow,
peace without pain.*

*But God hath promised
strength for the day,
Rest for the labor,
light for the way,
Grace for the trials,
help from above,
Unfailing sympathy,
undying love...*

In Memory of
Theresa Lanners

May 4, 1931
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September 3, 2019



Mass of Christian Burial
St. Mary's Catholic Church
Alexandria, Minnesota
Saturday, September 7, 2019
10:00 AM

Officiant
Reverend Father Steve Binsfeld

Honorary Urn Bearers
(Theresa's Brothers)
Jerome Ledermann Adrian Ledermann
Florian Ledermann Ben Ledermann
Phil Ledermann

Inurnment
St. Ann's Catholic Cemetery
Brandon, Minnesota