



Nila Barna

June 18, 1923 - February 5, 2011

Nila Marie Barna, 87, of Crystal Falls passed away after a brief illness on Saturday, February 05, 2011 at the Iron County Medical Care Facility.

Nila Marie Niedert was born June 18, 1923 in Fayette County, IA, daughter of the late Leo and Martha (Huebner) Niedert. She was baptized into the family of God at St. John's Lutheran Church in Sumner, IA by the Rev. E. Gaede on June 30, 1923. Nila was confirmed in the Lutheran faith in 1936 by the Rev. C.J. Mardorf, also at St. John's. She attended Banks Township (country) School and Sumner High School, graduating in 1940. She also attended The American Institute of Business in Des Moines, IA. Nila married James R. Carroll on August 1, 1943 in West Union, IA. Two children were born of this marriage, Patricia Ann (Carroll) Bonales and Michael James Carroll. Her husband James preceded her in death on June 20, 1990. Nila married Michael J. Barna on May 1, 1994 at the United Lutheran Church in Crystal Falls. Michael preceded her in death on May 25, 2003.

She is survived by her children, Patricia Ann (Carroll) Bonales and Michael J. Carroll; two step-sons, Ronald J. Barna and Charles R. Barna; five grandchildren, Christine Marie (Bonales) Johnston, Ruben James Bonales, Rebecca Jo (Bonales) Barnett, Joshua Michael Carroll, and Abigail Miranda Carroll; three step grandchildren; five great grandchildren, Gabriel Stuart Johnston, Sydney Nila Bonales, Madelaine Diane Bonales, Benjamin Michael

Barnett and Finn Joshua Carroll.

Nila was active in her church and the community of Crystal Falls where she has resided since 1974. Previously she had resided in the communities of Sumner, Oelwein, Denver, Waterloo, and Cedar Rapids in Iowa as well as Freeport and Dixon in Illinois.

Visitation will be on Wednesday from 5:00 to 8:00pm at the Nash Funeral Home in Crystal Falls. Funeral services will be held on Thursday at 11:00am at the United Lutheran Church. Rev. Micheal Laakko will officiate.

Burial will be in the Evergreen Memorial Cemetery in the spring.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Nila M. Barna online at www.nashfuneralhome.net

The Nash Funeral Home of Crystal Falls is serving the family.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **9**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Nash Funeral Home
104 North Third St.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Funeral Service

FEB **10**. 11:00 AM (CT)

United Lutheran Church
506 Superior Ave.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Tribute Wall

TF

“ I got to know Nila briefly through a Bible study at Victorian Heights. She was an absolute joy to be around, a woman of profound faith and deep love for her Savior. She will be sadly missed, but I look forward to seeing her again soon in the dwelling place that her Lord has prepared for her.

Terri Selvey - Crystal Falls, MI - friend - February 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ I was so sorry to happen across Nila's obituary in the Waterloo Courier online. My mom {Mary Lee Huebner Meyer-Sumner, IA} thought so highly of Nila, one of her first babysitters. I had the blessing of meeting and knowing her and loving her as well. After losing both Dad and Mom in 2008, I called Nila a few times, not as often as I wish now I would have. She had a way of making things seem brighter. Her smile, her voice and her laugh will be remembered for ever. I want to thank you for sharing Nila with us. Nila will be missed by many but never forgotten. God be with you all.

Diane {Meyer} Dockendorf and family - Frederika, IA - Mother was Nila's cousin
- February 13, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Mike and Pat. We just wanted you to know that our thoughts and prayers are with you

Maxine Nancy and Gary Buxton - February 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Nila was a friend of my Moms Kay Griesser at Victorian Heights. She was one of the very first to welcome my Mom and opened her heart to friendship. We frequently visit my Mom and my two children loved to visit and play cards or games with Nila. When she went to Medicars my Stephanie would visit her and she told me she loved to see "her" Nila. Thank you for such a kind and lovely person that we were blessed to share and call friend. You will be missed by us all. Many hugs and kisses from Nathan and Stephanie.

Adrienne and Keith Stachowicz - Crystal Falls, MI - Friend - February 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PI

“ We are so sorry to hear about Nila. Seems like she lived a full life. We are sure your family has many wonderful memories of her. At times like this the Bible comforts me so much. Jesus said in John 5:28&29 there would come a time when those in the memorial tombs would hear his voice and come out. This would also be at a time when Revelation 21:3&4 says there will be no more tears, pain or death. This would all happen when God's Kingdom comes, the same kingdom that Jesus taught us to pray for in the Lord's Prayer. What a wonderful prospect for Nila and all those in the memorial tombs now. We express our deepest sympathy. We hope you find comfort in this time of loss.

Peggy & Jeff - Waterloo, IA - February 10, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Pat and family----my thoughts are with you as we seem to be on a similar path at this time. Nila was always happy to see me and her smile was always present. She had a wonderful laugh when she was amused.
My sympathy to all of you.
Kathie Holkup

Kathie Holkup - friend - February 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ Dear Patricia & Michael and families: We were very sorry to hear of our cousin, Nila's passing. She was a very lovely and thoughtful aunt and took very good care of us as little children. She was always very cheerful and pleasant to be around and also kept the family in touch, arranging for us to have family reunions in July of each year and also sending lots of letters and cards at Christmas, Easter, etc. We loved her so much and are very sad to see her go, but I know that Jesus is waiting for her and will love to have her beautiful smile and shining eyes with him in heaven. We will be thinking of you all and send our most sincere condolences.

J. Ilene (Prideaux) Roberts & Flossie L. (Prideaux) Doty - Bloomington, MN - First Cousins - February 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ To Nila's family, we were so saddened to read online today of Nila's passing away. Whenever we saw Nila, either in church, at Victorian Heights, and later in the Medicare, always a smile, never a complaint, her love of God and family always so apparent to everyone. Another special Angel, has joined her eternal rest. May all you wonderful memories of a great lady, help you all through any difficult days ahead.

Charlie and Janie Bandaccari - Donna, TX - friend of Sharon - February 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ Remembering Nila, a dear cousin with whom many phone calls over the years were shared.

Nila liked to receive postcards, and since I traveled world-wide, it was fun to look for a special postcard from that distant place of the moment.

She would remind me that the card from Paris was "so special"... as were the cards from Africa, Australia, and all the countries of 30 years of travel.

Nila always had a compliment, no matter if the days was dreary. She had a sparkling demeanor.

I remember when she worked in my home town as a bookkeeper, and all the other employees said, "She's the prettiest girl in town."

With Love, Cousin Dan

Dan Prideaux - Cape Coral, FL - cousin - February 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM