



Adaline Irene Gosen

June 28, 1928 - February 4, 2018

Adaline Irene Gosen, devoted wife and mother of nine, passed away peacefully in the comfort of her home, surrounded by family on February 4, 2018, just five months after her husband of 64 years, Jack, passed away. She was 89.

Adaline is survived by her brother Bill Dorcy (Pat) of Dallas, TX, her children, Anne Nakai (Kazuo) of Newark, John Gosen Jr. of Union City, Frank Gosen of Union City, Ted Gosen (Terri) of Poway, James Gosen (Diana) of Fremont, Mary Martin (Jim) of Fremont, Cathy Gambree (Mike) of Hillsboro, OR, and Joe Gosen (Nicky) of Bellingham, WA. Her son, Paul Gosen, preceded her in death in 1994. Sixteen grandchildren and two great grandchildren also survive her — with a third great grandchild soon to be born and named, Adaline in honor of her.

Adaline was born on June 28, 1928, to Frank and Irene Dorcy of Kelly Lake, Minnesota. She spent her childhood in towns like Sandstone, Hibbing and Duluth. She graduated with a B.S. in Nursing from College of St. Scholastica in Duluth, Minnesota, and started her career as a pediatric nurse.

In 1952 she met her future husband, Jack. They married in 1953 and started their family soon after. By 1965 they had nine children and Adaline then became the “nurse” to all of her children for the ensuing years. She was

unwaveringly committed to raising their special needs son, Paul, and dedicated much of her day tending to him for 34 years. Paul was the inspiration that led Adaline and Jack to work with other parents during the 1960s to establish the Dawn School in Fremont, which was an educational and occupational facility for handicapped children and adults.

Adaline eagerly planned the annual family camping trips each summer with Jack. In the great outdoors she effortlessly demonstrated her skills as an angler, a swimmer, and a Marshmallow roaster. Adaline had a creative spark, as well, which she expressed through fabric and food. She loved to sew, do upholstery, and needlepoint. She enjoyed quilting with her daughter, Mary, and was a member of the Mission Peak Quilters. She was a wonderful cook who went to great lengths to prepare meals that brought the entire family together for dinner each night. The birthday celebrations for her children and grandchildren almost always featured one of her custom cakes with elaborately decorated designs.

Adaline was liked by everybody. She had an infectious laugh and certainly had the “gift of gab.” She loved engaging in conversation with anybody who crossed her path — friends and strangers alike. A parishioner of Holy Spirit Church since 1960, she rarely missed Sunday Mass until this past year when it became difficult for her to get out and about. She will be missed by all.

A visitation and vigil service will take place at Fremont Chapel of the Roses in Fremont on Thursday, February 15 from 5-8pm. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at Holy Spirit Church on Friday, February 16 at 10am, followed by a reception and then a burial at Chapel of the Chimes.

In lieu of flowers the family request donations be made to Special Olympics of Northern California in honor of Adaline Gosen. (<https://sonc.org/>)

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **15**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (PT)

Fremont Chapel of the Roses
1940 Peralta Boulevard
Fremont, CA 94536
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Vigil Service

FEB **15**. 6:30 PM (PT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Adaline was such a special soul, such a lovely woman. I remember my mom saying that Adaline was such an incredible mother because all of her children turned out wonderfully. I am so sorry for your loss. I am sure she is in heaven with Jack and Paul and celebrating with my parents and Mark. What a celebration that must be!* ”

Laura Morrison - February 16, 2018 at 12:15 AM

JD

“ *Jim, Mary, Rob, David purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Adaline Irene Gosen.* ”



Jim, Mary, Rob, David - February 12, 2018 at 10:35 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Adaline Irene Gosen.* ”



February 12, 2018 at 12:14 AM



“ *Bountiful Rose Basket was purchased for the family of Adaline Irene Gosen.*



February 10, 2018 at 03:59 PM



“ *When I think of Adaline's life, so many words and images come to mind; however, the word that rises to the top is "selfless." She was always devoted to others as reflected in her life story. When we visited she and Jack, they both were always so interested in what was going on in our lives, and so proud of the experiences and achievements of their children and their families.*

Although she will be missed, she is with her soul mate in Heaven.

Bruce Barnett

Bruce Barnett - February 10, 2018 at 10:11 AM



“ *Think all of you mine and my wife Ann Marie are think and praying for you and the entire family..... we will miss your mom and pops there were great people.... loved visiting with them every time the came north..... they also love the walleye sandwiches at some of the local restaurants*

*Keith and Ann Marie Allen
Superior Wi*

keith allen - February 10, 2018 at 09:03 AM



“ *How unbelievably lucky I have been in this world to have known my wonderful cousin Adaline for the past sixty plus years. From a little boy visiting her and Jack in Florida, to staying in their home on my way to Korea in the military, to such great visits and get togethers over many years in California. I had the privilege to be at both the wedding and fiftieth anniversary of her and Jack. All those years and all those good times together always had one constant...Adaline's absolute love of her children and family, and all of life. Every single moment was always so warm and gracious. I will forever remember her laughing and enjoyment as if we were still together. Love you all. Bill and Theresa*

William Johnson - February 10, 2018 at 12:56 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Adaline Irene Gosen.*



February 09, 2018 at 03:45 PM

GS

“ i can still remember the day that my family had moved from Moraga to Fremont and i had to leave all my friends behind and start anew in a strange neighborhood . I found myself shooting baskets at Mattos Elementary when this guy Ted comes up to me and asks me if I want to join in a scavenger hunt that was being held y the local playground people. I'm thinking ok, this is a bit weird but okay. the next thing i know is that wwe are back at the Gosen house and there is this overwhelming sense of comfort and welcoming atmosphere. I meet Ted's mom and she is right out of central casting for a mid-american housewife. She starts to dote on us and ask us if we are hungry, etc. Then i start to realize that there is another actual family that has as many kids as mine (Gosens 9, Stockers 10). Over the years of my youth and young adulthood, i ofet found myself at the Gosen house and always, always had a relaxing, family-oriented time. Both Mr and mrs. Gosen were, and still are, instrumental in developing the image of what type of home and family i wanted to have when i was an adult. Truly amazing family, primarily because of the two great parents who strove to make family important. Evfent in this moment of sorrow, i can't help but find a smile on my face just thinking of those times. I can easily see Mrs. Gosen in my find smiling and keeping watch over her brrod.

Geoff Stocker - February 09, 2018 at 01:22 PM