

Arline LeClaire, 84

June 3, 1927 - March 17, 2012

LAKELAND, FL — Arline Wilma LeClaire was born on June 3, 1927 to William and Marie Parenti in Turin. She grew up in Harlan, where her family owned and operated the Harlan Café. After graduating from Harlan High School, she attended Grinnell College, Grinnell.

August 25, 1946, Arline married Robert LeClaire and in 1958 they moved their family of five children to Wisconsin. She spent over twenty years in the food and beverage industry in the Green Bay, WI area. During her tenure at the Beaumont Inn, she became well acquainted with many of Vince Lombardi's Green Bay Packers. She was indeed one of the original "cheeseheads" — she was in Green Bay during the first Super Bowls and watched as the championship Green Bay Packers put Green Bay on the map! In 1992 Arline retired and moved to Lakeland, FL. She was an active member of Reformation Lutheran Church. For more than ten years she worked in the kitchen for post-Sunday service refreshments and other events. She enjoyed a special friendship with Pastor Wise and frequently assisted him with scripture readings during the church services and on special holidays. March 17, 2012 Arline was released from her struggle with Alzheimer's and received in Heaven by her Lord and Savior. She had attained the age of eighty-four years, nine months, and fourteen days.

A son, Randall Jon LeClaire of Arlington, VA, preceded her in death. She is survived by three daughters and a son-in law: Lynn and Tony DiPinto of Lakeland, FL, Christine LeClaire of Neenah, WI, Terry Krueger of Appleton, WI; son Scott LeClaire of Oakwood, VA; seven grandchildren; thirteen great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held at Reformation Lutheran Church, 6760 Old Polk City Road, Lakeland, FL, on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. A private inurnment was held at the Harlan Cemetery in Harlan. Arline will be laid to rest next to her mother, Marie Parenti, in the Harlan Cemetery.



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