



Carol Sopkowicz

June 5, 1931 - June 5, 2008

GOODMAN, Wis. - Carol Dawn Sopkowicz, 77, of Goodman, died Thursday, June 5, 2008 at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital.

She was born on July 14, 1930 in Goodman, the daughter of the late Ferris and Vera (Stapleford) Graetz.

Carol graduated from Goodman High School in 1948 and from the Milwaukee State Teachers College in 1952. She began her teaching career in Green Bay and then went to Goodman, where she taught for 10 years. She retired from Laona Public School after teaching kindergarten there for 28 years.

Carol enjoyed teaching so much that she also taught Sunday School and gave piano lessons.

She married Stanley Sopkowicz on July 25, 1953, at the Goodman Union Protestant Church.

Carol was a member of Goodman Union Protestant Church, where she played the organ as a way to praise the Lord. She was also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Carol enjoyed taking care of her pets and her home, and she loved to hear the

sound of children in her home. She was a talented seamstress and was great at cooking and baking. Carol was an avid reader and liked to golf and bowl.

Carol is survived by her husband, Stanley; her brother, Ken (Zona) Graetz of Green Bay, Wis., and his three children, Jessie (Joe) Peters, Jay Graetz, and Becky (Rob) Risch; many nieces and nephews and great-nieces and great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Shirley Rae Graetz.

Visitation will be Thursday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Goodman Union Protestant Church in Goodman.

Funeral services will be at 11am at the church. Rev. Patricia Herdt will officiate.

Burial will be in the Glenwood Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial will be established.

Condolences to the family of Carol D. Sopkowicz can be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

TC

“ *Mr. Sopkowicz and family, my thoughts and prayers are with you in your loss. I had the pleasure of meeting Carol through the Iron Mountain Christian Women's Club and always looked forward to visiting with her there. She had a lovely smile and was always so sweet. Even though I didn't know her very well, I too will miss her. May God grant you peace and comfort during this time and bless you with many wonderful memories of your time together.*

Teresa Cram - June 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *To Miss Carol's family: Miss Carol was my kindergarten teacher and I am sure my lifelong love of learning was due in large part to her inspiration. I will always remember her humor and kindness, and feel honored to have been her student. My thoughts are with you.*

Jayne Carter - June 23, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ *To Mr. Sopkowicz and Family,
My sympathies to you and your family. I was very sad when I read of Mrs. Carol's passing. She was my kindergarten teacher in Laona and will always be remembered as one of my favorite teachers. I think of her often and will never forget her.*

Kathy (Gile) Leach - June 16, 2008 at 12:00 AM

NS

“ Dear Stanley and family of Carol Dawn: We shall remember her as a strong fighter, a woman of fine humor, and a teacher who enjoyed her craft more fully than most, and a loyal and loving spouse!! Our sincere condolences and we shall remember her with a memorial to her church, The Goodman Union Protestant Church. God bless her and you. Neil and Jackie Shively, Cambridge

Neil & Jackie Shively - June 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ My Sympathy to Stan and Family

Jim W. Goggin - June 08, 2008 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Just read that Carol has passed away,my sympathy to Stanley and the rest of the family. She truly was an inspiration in my life...as was her Mom and Dad. They will always hold a special place in my heart.

Sandra Lane(Bednarz) - June 07, 2008 at 12:00 AM