



Ann Ibach

August 20, 1911 - May 26, 2013

Ann M. Ibach (101) of Toppenish passed away on Sunday May 26, 2013 in Toppenish. She was born in Linton, N.D. on August 20, 1911 to John and Aurora (Buchmier) Massett. She was educated in Selfridge, N.D. where she married Joseph Merck Jr. They lived on a wheat ranch and had two children, Mary and Joseph III. Her husband preceded her in death due to Epidemic Encephalitis. Ann moved to Toppenish with her parents and two children and worked for Valley Laundry & Dry Cleaning Company. She married Melvin W. Girtch and they lived on Fort Road on a small farm for several years before moving to town where Melvin died. She worked for Del Monte and retired in 1972 after 25 years of employment. Ann was a longtime member of the Toppenish Eagles. She later married John Ibach and they enjoyed going to all of the Eastern Washington Polka Fests which John started.

She is survived by her daughter, Mary Henriksen of Wenatchee; daughter-in-law, Sharon Merck of Toppenish; four step-children, Bill (Darlene) Ibach, Jim (Emma) Ibach and Kenny (Kathy) Ibach all of Yakima and Dick (Sue) Ibach of Spokane; twelve grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one brother, Charles Massett of Toppenish and one sister, Kathryn Haeger of Spokane; and nine nieces and nephews.

Ann was preceded in death by her parents; three husbands; her son, Joseph Merck III; her son-in-law, Lars E. Henriksen; one brother, Johnny Massett Jr.; one sister, Mary Trebilock and her grandson, Russell Merck.

Visitation will be held on Thursday May 30, 2013 from 3-7PM with recitation of

the rosary at 6PM at Colonial Funeral Home. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10AM Friday at St. Aloysius Catholic Church with interment to follow at the Zillah City Cemetery. Colonial Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **30**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (PT)

Colonial Funeral Home
228 S. Alder
Toppenish, WA

Service

MAY **31**. 1:00 PM (PT)

St. Aloysius Catholic Church
213 N. Beech Street
Toppenish,, WA

Tribute Wall



“ *Ann Ibach*

October 05, 2023 at 11:22 AM