



## Mary Margaret "Mayme" (Kirn) Laben

February 12, 1918 - December 24, 2014

Mary Margaret "Mayme" (Kirn) Laben passed away on December 24, 2014 at the age of 96. Mayme was born to Matt and Frances (Bartel) Kirn in Waukegan, Illinois on February 12, 1918. She was the youngest of 4 children and grew up joyfully in a family filled with love, music, and fun. Mayme married Edward Thomas Laben on May 30, 1941 and had two children, Linda Frances in 1943 and Edward Matthew in 1953. Mayme was a modern wife who worked outside the home. She was a clerk in a grocery store, a production line worker at Abbott Laboratories, a travel agent, and a secretary in the Lake County Recorder of Deeds office in Waukegan. Throughout her life she enjoyed music, singing with her sisters, playing the piano and ukulele, singing Slovenian folk songs, was a member of the choir at St. Anastasia, and barbershop harmony with the Village Vocal Chords and winning the Harmony, Inc. Championship in 1961 with the barbershop quartet, The Key Chords along with her daughter Linda. After retirement, she and Ed moved to New Smyrna Beach, Florida where they played their button box accordions and sang as much as possible. Mayme is preceded in death by her husband, Ed, her parents, and siblings. She is survived by daughter and son-in-law, Linda and Rick Thelen; son and daughter-in-law, Edward and Penny Laben; grandchildren; great grandchildren.

Caudle-Rutledge Funeral Home is in charge of her funeral arrangements and her Funeral Mass will be at Holy Family Catholic Church in Lindale, Texas on

January 17, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. officiated by Father Steve Paradis. Interment will be at Lindale City Cemetery. Donations may be made in her name to the Alzheimer Alliance.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JAN 17. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Holy Family Catholic Church  
16292 FM 849  
Lindale, TX 75771

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Margaret "Mayme" (Kirn) Laben*

October 05, 2023 at 02:48 AM



“ *Mary Margaret "Mayme" (Kirn) Laben*

October 05, 2023 at 12:01 AM



“ *Pooja, Barry and Shaila Pronold purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mary Margaret "Mayme" (Kirn) Laben.*



**Pooja, Barry and Shaila Pronold** - January 16, 2015 at 10:12 AM



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**Ed Laben** - January 16, 2015 at 08:01 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Margaret "Mayme" (Kirn) Laben.*



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January 16, 2015 at 12:58 AM



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**Ed Laben** - January 15, 2015 at 10:25 PM



“ *Pete, Debbie, Kelly, Christian and Dixie purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Mary Margaret "Mayme" (Kirn) Laben.*



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**Pete, Debbie, Kelly, Christian and Dixie** - January 14, 2015 at 12:51 PM



“ *Beverly and John Stoehr purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Mary Margaret "Mayme" (Kirn) Laben.*



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**Beverly and John Stoehr** - January 10, 2015 at 09:29 AM

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**Penny Laben** - December 31, 2014 at 12:40 PM

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“ *Jim and I will always remember Mayme and Ed playing their button boxes and singing in our living room in Springfield, IL. Mayme was a dear lady. We send our love to Linda and Rick.*

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**Sue Zimmerman** - December 30, 2014 at 10:24 PM