Remembering

Mary’s grandchildren, L-R: Robert, Raymond, Stephani, Stephen toss a memorial wreath into the waters of Hereford Inlet, North Wildwood

“Angels sail back to God on the sea of joy.”

The following poem was written as a gift to Mary from her niece. It epitomizes the person that she was, who touched so many lives...

Aunt Mary,

There are people in this world that just by their presence light up a room, fill it with love, and touch every soul in it. This type of person is you Aunt Mary. You have endured hardships even the strongest of us couldn’t have ever imagined; much less survived with the faith, strength, acceptance and positive outlook that you have always held.

As a child I have always admired not just the outer beauty you possess, but the inner beauty as well. How my brothers, sisters and I waited to have our summer vacation at the shore knowing it always included a visit to your home surrounded by the warmth, hospitality and love from you and your family. I could never convey to you all of the childhood memories we have all shared over and over again throughout the years.

You’re a very special person to me Aunt Mary. You exude compassion, intellect, accountability, friendship, strength and a never ending desire to learn new things. Challenge has never meant defeat to you and I can only pray that each day when you wake up, you know how very blessed we all are to have you in our lives.

Love, Pam

Mary

Mary defined what it meant to live life to the fullest, and that she did well.

Mary (Diaz) Kulisek on right with Marjorie Hoffer, 1944

Young Mary Kulisek (not Audrey Hepburn)

Mary at the beach with her grandson Robert, 1993

Mary with her daughter Maria (L) & daughter-in-law Dorothy (R), 1992

“Angels descending, bring from above, Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.” ~Fanny J. Crosby, Blessed Assurance