



## Claire M Messmer

December 30, 1918 - July 10, 2015

Claire M. Messmer, nee Bieschke, age 96, lifelong resident of Aurora, IL, recently of Denton, Texas, passed away peacefully on Friday, July 10, 2015. She was born December 30, 1918 in Aurora, IL.

Claire graduated from East Aurora High School. She was united in marriage to Matthew Messmer for forty-three years. Claire was a homemaker. She enjoyed painting, sewing, and cooking for her family. In her later years she enjoyed travel with her sisters. Claire was also actively involved in her church and volunteered at Hesed House.

Survivors include her son William, and two daughters Susan (Ken) Kohley and Mary Messmer (Bob Hay), sixteen grandchildren, numerous great grandchildren and great great grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother Claude Bieschke of Lexington, Kentucky, her sister Eileen Simmons of Aurora, Illinois, and numerous nieces and nephews and other family and friends.

Claire is preceded in death by her husband Matthew, three sons Michael, Matthew and Timothy, one grandson Peter Kohley, her parents Mathias and Marguerite Bieschke, two brothers Wencel and Frank Bieschke and by her sister Faye O'Bryan.

Funeral services will be Thursday, July 16, 2015 from 9:30 am at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY to St. Mary Church at 10:00 am. Fr. Timothy Piasecki will officiate with interment in Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Visitation will be Wednesday, July 15, 2015 from 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm with a liturgical wake service at 7:00 pm at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 N. Lake St. Aurora, IL. 60506. (630) 631-5500.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Hesed House, 659 S River St, Aurora, IL 60506 or to Sacred Heart Church, 711 Fulton St, Aurora, IL 60505.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 15. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary  
220 N. Lake Street  
Aurora, IL 60506  
(630) 631-5500  
daleidenmortuary@gmail.com  
<https://www.daleidenmortuary.com>

## Wake Service

JUL 15. 7:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Mass

JUL 16. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary Church  
430 East Downer Place  
Aurora, IL 60505  
1-630-892-0480

# Tribute Wall

JS

“ *Bill, Sue and Mary,  
Very sorry about your Mom passing, our world is just a bit smaller today. Thank you to all who shared the pictures and the video, it was very good to see that twinkle in the corner of her eye! It is also good to see her happy loving family surround her. I agree with the comment Stefanie made below about missing her giggles. I wonder if she has scolded Matt about our window washing skills yet? I will hold all of you in my prayers and in my heart. Sorry I didn't make any of the services, I got my days mixed up again.....*  
*Jeff Swanson*

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**Jeff Swanson** - July 16, 2015 at 10:07 AM



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased  
for the family of Claire M Messmer.*

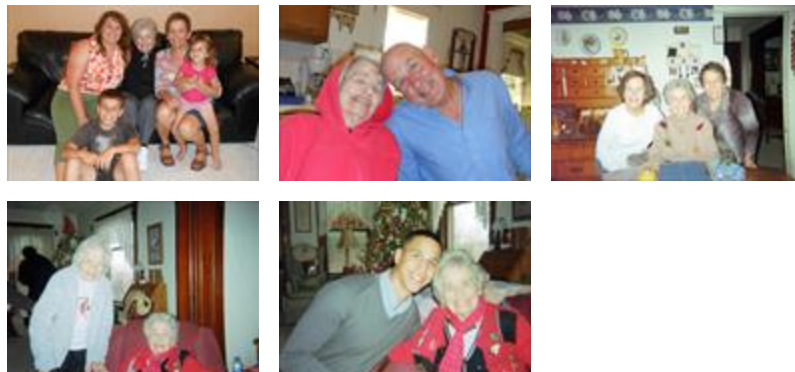


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July 16, 2015 at 08:04 AM

MK

“ 8 files added to the album *Love you, grandma*



Maggie Kohley - July 15, 2015 at 03:19 PM



“ 3 files added to the album *Memories Album*



Daleiden Mortuary - July 14, 2015 at 04:44 PM

FM

*The original Bieschke Babes with the Bieschke laugh... We love it ....  
We have it ... It carries on . What a legacy of love and what fun. Even  
when we talked about the sadness close to our hearts Aunt Clare  
would look serious then crack a joke and we'd laugh back to normal .  
We kept a vigil with you Thursday night.  
Our love is with all of you as we share your loss.  
Love,  
Faye and Cameron*

Faye McFarlane - July 14, 2015 at 05:27 PM



Stefanie  
Gilmore

“ Once at a young age I was visiting grandma. Grandma loved plants and I remember her having them all over her dining room. One particular cactus caught my attention and evidently Grandma saw the curiosity on my face and she quickly stated, "Don't touch that." Well I didn't....until she left the room. I reached out my little hand to touch that forbidden plant and gave it a little rub only to have one of the sections fall off. Completely horrified that I not only broke and killed the cactus but that I also had disobeyed Grandma's strict order to not touch that cactus, and now I was going to be dead meat. I ran and locked myself in her bathroom...where soon enough they were searching for me. Grandma tried to coax me out but I refused. She promised it was no big deal and that it would be ok. I don't remember when I finally came out of that bathroom but I do remember that grandma stuck that cactus leaf into the dirt and for the next several years she would show me how it had rooted and grew into another thriving plant.

*I will miss Grandma's giggles*

*Stefanie Messmer Gilmore (Son Michael's daughter)*

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**Stefanie Gilmore** - July 14, 2015 at 09:10 AM

MC

“ What I remember most about Aunt Claire is her infectious laugh! She had a hard time keeping a straight face even when scolding! My thoughts and prayers are with you all.  
Love and hugs, Marsha

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**Marsha (Bieschke) Carr** - July 13, 2015 at 10:47 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Claire Messmer, Eileen Simmons, Faye O'Bryan, Susan o'Bryan, Michael O'Bryan*



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**Dennis O'Bryan** - July 12, 2015 at 12:28 PM