



## Jessie J. Wojtaszek

April 6, 1906 - January 29, 2011

Mrs. Jessie Julia (Armata) Wojtaszek, 104, of 71 Summer St. Adams, died Saturday morning, January 29, 2011, at her home.

She was born in Adams on April 6, 1906, to Joseph and Margaret (Pas) Armata. She began her education at the former Hoosac St. School and then entered St. Stanislaus Kostka School on January 2, 1912, when it first opened. She completed 9 years of education and was one of two students who passed the strict Diocesan exams.

Circumstances prohibited Jessie from attending high school, yet she educated herself through reading and in her adult life could complete the New York Times crossword puzzle in an afternoon. At the age of 14 Jessie began working at the former Berkshire Mills, where she stayed until her children were born.

During the second World War Jessie left the comfort of her home, packed up her family, and traveled to Tennessee to meet her husband, Capt. Joseph H. Wojtaszek, whom she married on June 1, 1931, when he was stationed there with the US Army. The family moved around the country for the next 2 ♦ years as her husband was transferred. In 1943, the family returned to Adams, where she became involved with St. Stanislaus Kostka Church and the parish school, joined the bowling league, became a charter member of the former TMTM Club, and got hooked on the Boston Red Sox. She lived to see her team win two World Series.

Jessie was known for her beautiful handwork and in her 95th year attended the opening of an exhibit of her work at the Adams Free Library. She was gifted with a photographic memory and was able to entertain her family and friends with stories of her life.

She had been a communicant of St. Stanislaus Kostka Church, and was a member of the St. Stanislaus Rosary Sodality.

Her husband died on May 16, 1974.

She is survived by her daughters, Wanda, with whom she resided and who cared for her faithfully; and Mary Ann, both of Adams; a son, Joseph and daughter-in-law, Mary, of Virginia;

A brother, Henry Armata, of Adams; 2 Godchildren, Terri Armata and Dorothy Daniels; and many nieces, nephews, grandnieces & grandnephews.

She was predeceased by a son, Henry Wojtaszek; a sister, Mary Ann Sibbio; and by four

brothers, Edward, Julian, Roman and Bernard Armata.

The funeral will be held on Wednesday, February 2nd, at 9:00 AM from the PACIOREK FUNERAL HOME, 13 Hoosac St. Adams, followed by a Liturgy of Christian Burial at 10:00 AM in the Parish Church of Pope John Paul the Great, Adams, celebrated by Rev. Daniel J. Boyle, Pastor.

Burial will follow in St. Stanislaus Kostka Cemetery, Adams.

Calling hours are Tuesday from 4 to 7 PM at the funeral home. Members of the St. Stanislaus Rosary Sodality will meet at the funeral home Tuesday at 3:40 PM to pay their respects and recite the Rosary.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Stanislaus Kostka School or to VNA & Hospice of Northern Berkshire through the funeral home.

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