



**Matilda Novak**  
**Jan. 5, 1935 – Sept. 24, 2019**

Matilda Novak was born in the village of Korpad, Hungary on January 5th, 1935 to Josef and Sofia Baumgartner. She was the youngest of 5 children.

She married her "Handsome Prince" Joseph Novak, on August 4th, 1956 and after becoming involved in the antiCommunist uprising that October, they were forced to flee in January of '57.

They eventually settled in Southern California, where their children Ed, Matilda, Karen, and Joe were born. Matilda learned to sew by doing "piece-work" in a sweatshop.

In 1970 they moved to Albany, and Matilda became a cook at Myrl's Chuckwagon -- little knowing the skills she learned there would be put to use in her own restaurant!

Kaymarie was born in 1972.

In April of 1984, Joseph and Matilda opened Novak's Hungarian Restaurant.....and the rest, as they say, is history.

Ultimately becoming known to all as "Papa and Mama", Matilda lived a life of love and service.

She loved her family, her community, her church, and her God.

She was so thankful for all the wonderful people God brought into her life over all the years of the restaurant!

Matilda is survived by her older brother, Joseph Baumgartner, 96, her children, 5 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren and many beloved nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life

*Matilda Novak*

January 5, 1935 ~ September 24, 2019



In Loving Memory of  
*Matilda Novak*

Age 84

**Born**

January 5, 1935  
Korpad, Hungary

**Entered into Rest**

September 24, 2019  
Corvallis, Oregon

**Celebration of Life**

Saturday, October 5, 2019 at 11 a.m.  
Hope Church  
Albany, Oregon

**Officiants**

Pastor Brett Huff  
Pastor Matthew Novak  
Pastor Kelly Dufour

**Worship Leader**

Reta Thomas

**Special Song**

"It Is Well"

**Congregational Songs**

"God Bless America"  
"Blessed Assurance"

**Remembrance Video**

**Private Inurnment**

Willamette Memorial Park  
Albany, Oregon

Why are you cast down,  
O my soul,  
and why are you in turmoil  
within me?

*Hope in God;*

for I shall again

*Praise Him,*

my salvation and my God.

Psalm 42:11 (ESV)

But I trust in you,

*O Lord;*

I say, "You are my God."  
My times are in your hand;

Psalm 31:14-15a (ESV)

Whatever you do, work heartily,

as for the *Lord* and not for men.

Colossians 3:23 (ESV)

*Everyone is invited to a reception in the Family Center  
immediately following the service.*