

Obituary

Madeline Wall, 98, of Waco passed away on December 5, 2024, at her home surrounded by her children. Madeline Anna Dillon Wall's journey through life began on February 2, 1926 in Newark, New Jersey where she was born to parents, Archibald and Anna (Wagner) Dillon. She attended schools in Kearny, New Jersey and after graduating high school, she began working at the Singer Sewing Machine Company in New Jersey, where in 1946 she found the love of her life, Kendrick Wall. They were married August 28, 1948 in Waco, TX. Later, she attended 4C Business College and took on the role of bookkeeper for Management Services, which supported local doctors, before devoting her talents to their family business, Kendrick Tire Company, which was located in downtown Waco. After the passing of her beloved husband in 1990, she became half-owner and Secretary/Treasurer of the company, continuing her dedicated work there until it sold in 2000. Madeline was a longtime member of St. Louis Catholic Church, where her faith flourished throughout her life. Although her health limited her attendance in later years, her unwavering devotion remained evident as she faithfully watched Mass on television and enriched her days with prayer and Bible readings. Her commitment to service extended beyond her family, as she volunteered at Providence Village after retirement, embodying the true spirit of generosity. She was also a member of the Eastern Star, Altrusa Club, Garden Club, and a longtime member of the Texas Women's Bowling Association. She enjoyed getting together and traveling with the "Board", a group of dear friends, Jean Vestal, Ethel Biddle, Charlotte Carpenter, Alyce Lively, Sue Garrett and Jean Lessman, whose friendship she cherished for many years. Throughout her life, Madeline was known for her wisdom and understanding nature. She had an innate ability to offer sound advice without judgment. Her warm-heartedness shone brightly during family gatherings, especially during the holidays when she delighted loved ones with her homemade Thanksgiving dressing and Taco Soup on Christmas Eve. Madeline was a devoted wife, loving mother and grandmother, and a caring friend, whose spirit was enriched by her great sense of humor. At the age of 98, her wit remained sharp, bringing joy and a chuckle to those around her.

Madeline took immense pride in her role as a mother and grandmother. She is survived by her devoted children: Patricia Anne Breen of Waco, Leslye Kenyon Jones and husband, Jeff (her favorite son-in-law!), of Crawford, Cindy Louise Wall and her partner Anne Sprain of Iola, and Marcus Kendrick Wall, Jr., and wife Wendy of Lorena. A legacy of love continues through her grandchildren: Stacey Jones and husband Cliff Green, Bailey Dobelbower and husband John, Nicholas Jones and wife Nicole, and Michael Kendrick Wall; as well as her great-grandchildren—Clifford, Judy, Hadley, Knox, Miles, Callie, Wyatt, Rhett, and Blake; and nieces and nephews to include Anne Michael, Trish DeDolce and Linda Lamp and Bob Dillion.

In her passing, Madeline rejoins her departed loved ones, including her parents, Archibald Dillon and Anna Wagner Dillon; her husband, Marcus Kendrick "Ken" Wall; her son, James Raymond "Jim" Wall; her siblings, Eddie Dillon, Archie Dillon, Pat Borysczewski; grandsons Robert Kendrick Breen and Marcus Kendrick Wall, III; and nephew Archie Dillon.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Caritas, www.caritas-waco.org or to the charity of your choice. The family would like to express their heartfelt thanks to Community Hospice nurses and staff for their compassionate care of Madeline during her last months and to the caregivers from Right at Home, provided by Veteran's Home Care of Texas (VetAssist).

In Loving Memory



Madeline Anna Wall

February 2, 1926 ~ December 5, 2024

*To Those I Love, And
Those Who Love Me*

When I am gone, release me, let me go -
You mustn't tie yourself to me in tears,
Be happy that we had so many years.

I gave to you my love, you can only guess
How much you gave to me in happiness.
I thank you for the love you each have shown,
But now it's time I traveled on alone.

So grieve a while for me if grieve you must,
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It's only for a while that we must part
So bless the memories within your heart.

I won't be far away, for life goes on,
So if you need me, call and I will come.
Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near;
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear
All my love around you soft and clear.

And then, when you must come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile and "*Welcome Home.*"



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Mass of Christian Burial
for
Madeline Anna Wall



1:00 PM, Friday, December 13, 2024
St. Louis Catholic Church
Waco, Texas

Officiating
Fr. Raphael Ezeh

Musicians
Rebecca Parker, Pianist
Cecilia Vaca, Cantor

Pallbearers
Jimmy Miller Bob Dillon
Tom Flowers Tim Province
Nicholas Jones Michael Wall

Gift Bearers
Stacey Jones
Bailey Dobelbower

Interment
Oakwood Cemetery

