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Mom, Grandma,
and Great
Grandma
May 29, 1929
January 05, 2023



FEBRUARY 2023

Our family is grieving right now and the glue to our family has gone to be with Jesus. We are sad, but we also rejoice because she is in heaven with Dad, Robert, Mary Beth and Duane and she has missed them so much. We can not wish anything better for someone than heaven. Blessed be her memory.

Turquoise was Mom's favorite color so this issue is done for her.



God's Blessings to all. Linda

Coming Events

January 27,28 & 29 – Men and boys fishing and poker weekend at Emerald Hideaway

February 2023 – Baby due for Scott and Ashley

April 26, 2023 – Mages Family Mass

May 23, 2023 – Mages Family Mass

June 06, 2023 – Mages Family Mass

June 17,2023 – Wedding reception for Larry and Debra Mages at their barn on the farm in Lafayette

June 25,2023 – Oswald and Elizabeth Mages Family Reunion at Ramsey Park in Redwood Falls, Mn

July 08,2023 – Annual MagesFest at Sleepy Eye Sportsman's Park

July 13, 2023 – Mages Family Mass

July 29, 2023 – Wedding reception for Jory and Jessi Mages

August 09, 2023 – Mages Family Mass

September 14, 2023 – Mages Family Mass

October 18,2023 – Mages Family Mass

November 21, 2023 – Mages Family Mass

December 12, 2023 – Mages Family Mass

February Birthdays

Ed Mages	Feb 01
Steve Dammann	Feb 01
Calum Ingersoll	Feb 02
Lindsey Mages	Feb 03
Nancy Strate	Feb 12
Abigail Strand	Feb 12
Sarah Mills	Feb 16
Dylan Nelson	Feb 17
Mikayla Bruggeman'	Feb 21
Melanie Mages	Feb 23
Tony Schmitz	Feb 25
Brady Mages	Feb 27
Morgan Roiger	Feb 28

Photos

There are going to be photos throughout this issue of Mom and her busy life

A special Hello to our German cousins, Helmut, Birgit, Andi, Elena, Rosalie and Tobi

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A Lady Deeply Loved by Her Children, Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren Blessed Be Her Memory



The perfect hand for Grandma's game with Dan



Gina's First Communion



I really want to go to bed, but grandma is still up so I can't!



The photo at the middle left is Mom playing Hand and Foot at Sister's Weekend. The photo at the left middle is playing cards in the airport waiting to board.



The photo at the left is Mom's Christmas candy. The right photo is Mom dying Easter eggs with Larry and Brynlee. Josie, Theresa, Halle, Leo and Matt in the background



Photos of Mom



Mom gave Cooper a mug with the Minnesota Timberwolf on it



Mom with Gina and Kristen in the Dominican Republic

Anniversaries



Surrounding Mom at Sister's Weekend



Alphonse & Barbara Mages



Mom having some refreshments in Germany

Mom playing the guitar at Elizabeth's tavern in Austria. Larry beside her



Photos



Mom was so happy to see Helmut



Mom, Tobi, Helmut and Birgit in Minnesota at Mom's house



Mom sprucing up Helmut and families camper before their arrival in Minnesota



Mom worshipping at a cathedral in Europe



Musical Mageses

Four generations of Mages family on stage

BARBARA MAGES (LEFT) joined her family on stage at the German Park concert Monday evening in New Ulm. Barbara just recently learned to play the guitar. With her addition on stage, four generations of Mageses were represented in the band. Performing for a large crowd at the park were (below) from left: Larry Mages, Halle Bemmels, Amanda Bemmels, Matt Mages, Barbara Mages, Josie Wagner and Theresa Wagner.

Jeremy Jones / Sleepy Eye Herald-Dispatch



Photos

Top left is Mom and Debbie at Sister's Weekend. Top right is Mom greeting others who attended the Mages Family Band at German Park in New Ulm. Middle left is Mom and Lisa

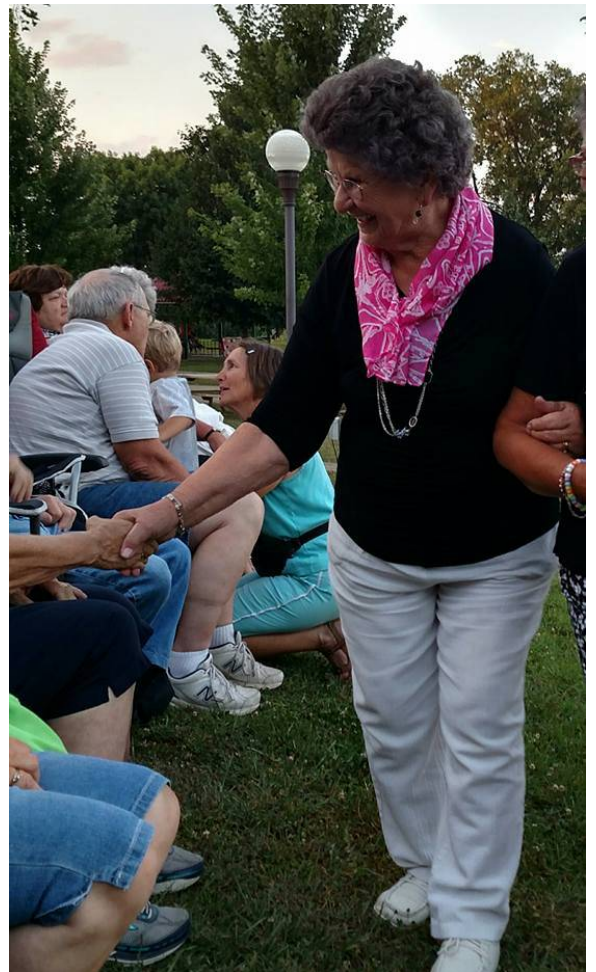


Photo above is Mom having a great laugh which she did often. Photo to the left is Mom is our Queen at Sister's Weekend.

Photos



At a family wedding Mom with some of her Grandchildren and one new Great Grandchild

Mom teaching Gabby and Halle how to make her potato salad



Mom recording on one of Larry's CD'S



Photos

Mom never missed a year packing meals for Food 4 Kidz



Joselynn Andersen's baptism, Mom, Gina, Josie and Joe. Mysti Lynn in the back



Photo above is a roaster full of Mom's homemade stuffing that we all loved.

The photo to the right is at Mike Gall's confirmation with Mom and Dad



Photos

Setting puzzles on the patio with Mom in Arizona. Linda and Josie



Mom was Mrs. Magesfest with Amanda and Kristen



Jan 4 2023 Minnesota - Hand + Foot

	Lisa	Baubauer	Donna	
Lisa	2500*	3800	2800	50
	750	1755	1895	
	<u>3250</u>	<u>4555</u>	<u>3685</u>	
Baub (mom)	2900	2000	3100	70
	800	710	560	
	<u>6950</u>	<u>7325</u>	<u>7345</u>	
Donna	1500	3500	1200	90
	565	715	660	
	<u>9015</u>	<u>11,540</u>	<u>9205</u>	
Lisa	2200	2400	1200	120
	780	595	690	
	<u>11,995</u>	<u>14,535*</u>	<u>10,895</u>	
Baub (mom)	600	2500	1200	150

Mom's strategy at Hand and Foot was unbelievable



Precious photo to the right is Mom and Duane embracing each other.

Wedding of Jessi Hartly and Jory Mages with Poppy Hartly – January 11, 2023 the son of Rick and Jane Mages



The Mages family at the wedding in Cozumel, Mexico were L-R: Stretch, Nancy,Debbie, Riley, Connie, Betty, Chrissy, Josh, Brianna, Jory, Jessi, Poppy, Jane, Rick, Rob, Aaron, Arlene, Dan, Debra, Larry, Anna and Andy



Jessi and Jory



Jory and Jessi in Photo

The family – Chrissy and Josh, Riley and Brianna, Jory and Jessi, Jane and Rick, Rob, Aaron



Top photo is Jory dancing with his Mom, Jane.

Photo to the left is the Dad and Mom of the groom, Rick and Jane

Jory & Jessi's Cozumel Mexico Wedding

Well first off, we should preface by saying Jan 7-14, 2023 was the most substantial and loving week of our entire lives. We mean it, wow! Jess & I are so grateful to have had so many friends & families on the island with us to celebrate. It truly was a most wonderful gift! We also know that Grandma, Grandpa along with other dearly departed were with us in spirit as everything seemed to flow with the greatest of ease. It was all so very special and meaningful!

Ok here's the wedding week....

Day 1 - Saturday Jan 7th - Guest Arrivals - It was a very exciting day on the island of Cozumel! This was the day of arrival for most MAGES wedding guests. Little did the islanders know they were about to be overrun by a wild bunch of fun loving, tequila drinking, taco eating, music loving people! As early afternoon set in, I was busy checking flight schedules. Jessi was scurrying about the island finalizing wedding day prep. As the minutes ticked by, I was growing increasingly excited to greet everyone. Just like that, ahead of schedule, I received a text from brother Rob saying the first of the American Airline flights had landed. I was super pumped! I jumped in my jeep and headed to the tiny Cozumel airport. As I was whipping around in the parking lot I could see my beautiful Mom, Dad, and Rob along with some other friends and family hanging out near the tiny little "Jimmy Buffet" airport bar. I hurried to find a parking spot and bounced on over to say HOLA! It was great to see everyone. We gathered the gang up, hired a shuttle and sent them to the Palmar Condo's. It was pretty darn handy, all the Mages & Harty families along with many friends stayed at the same great condominium building. I hear we occupied 10 of the condo units. This was a treat for me. Palmar has been my go-to getaway spot for at least a dozen years or so. I was happy to see everyone begin to settle in & enjoy it. As the afternoon progressed I repeated the airport run a couple of more times and by about 6pm we had everyone picked up. We then gathered up across the street at a great little beach bar called TIKILA for the welcome reception. We enjoyed great margaritas, mojitos, appetizers, and live music. We filled the place up. Workers were running across the street grabbing tables and chairs to keep up with never ending flow of Mages', Harty's & friends. There was a lot of hooting, hollering and good fun. For those that retreated to the condos earlier (after a long travel day), it was said they could hear Dad (Rick) across the street saluting and yelling "Ziggy Zaggy hoi hoi hoi" with a healthy refrain from his table of happy partiers. This of course lasted late into the night. Ha!

Day 2 - Sunday Jan 8 - Mr. Sancho's Beach Club - It was indeed a fun day. We started out with Sunday Mass at San Miguel the Arch Angel Church. It was great to see all the familiar faces at Mass in Mexico! This was a homecoming of sorts for Dad. The last time he and I attended mass together in Cozumel we gave up our seats to some elderly people. We opted to stand along the back of church. Part of the way through that service Dad decided to lean back and wouldn't you know it he knocked the holy water bowl off the wall. It came down with a crash and breaking sound. LOL! Dad was sure to add a few bucks to the collection plate that day! Once mass was over, we all headed out to Mr. Sancho's for a day of relaxing on the beach.

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It was a bright beautiful Caribbean day, and everyone had their fill of fun! I could go on and on about it. We were all very well behaved.

Day 3 - Monday Jan 9 - Last Day of Freedom - After a nice easy Monday touring the island, we separated guys and gals for an evening of hag & stag style fun. The Ladies went to a dinner at YAAMA's and enjoyed a great island style show in a very nice setting. Of course, Chrissy and Brianna lead the charge on "Mages Traditions" such as tequila shots and champagne by the bottle. LOL! I don't know if they were making these "traditions" up as they went or what. But Jessi said she was liking it. That's about all I know of their night. All in all, I heard the gals were NOT well behaved and it got out of hand. Rumor has it cops were called & a few bribes were handed out. This is of course unconfirmed because the ladies will not divulge their bachelorette party secrets (But us guys know how wild you can get).

As for the responsible guys, we took it easy and enjoyed HAVANA BOBS 19th HOLE for some comfort food, drinks, Cuban cigars, and live music. Early in the evening Stretch noticed a hamburger with pastrami on BOB's menu. He asked me if I had ever heard of a burger with pastrami and I said I hadn't. Well, Stretch gave it a go and thought it was one of the best burgers he had ever tasted. HE even spent time back in the kitchen conversing with the chef on how to prepare this. (Stretch, we are looking forward to the lake this summer - while you work the grill!) As the evening progressed, we met that wild bunch of ladies at WOODY's. We ended the night dancing to the guitar stylings of our friend FRANCISCO (Pako). We had so much fun singing along and dancing to his music that I couldn't resist the urge to hire PAKO at the last minute to play our wedding reception. I had to cancel the DJ (with pay), but our buddy PAKO was a solid upgrade! This was the 1st of two last minute adjustments made that really made our wedding day extra special.

Day 4 - Tuesday Jan 10 - Grooms Supper - Easy day! Many spent the day relaxing and touring the island. Direct family of Jessi & Jory enjoyed a groom's dinner (on RICK) at BUCCANO'S at NIGHT. It was a classic Caribbean outdoor restaurant setting. Again, the evening weather, with a gentle island breeze, was insanely perfect.

Day 5 - Wednesday Jan 11 - Wedding Day - The long-awaited day had arrived, and boy was I happy. I had been sleeping on the patio in a hammock since arriving to Cozumel. My back was starting to ache. As morning blossomed things were instantly bustling. To stay out of the bride and her entourage's way, I went downstairs, grabbed my brothers & Dad. We dipped out of the area for the rest of the morning. The 4 of us toured the local markets, grabbed breakfast with buddies and killed time steering clear of the bridal domain. Once 11am or so approached we jetted back to the condos, jumped into our wedding day get up. Rob, Aaron, and I then headed south to CAPILLA STELLA MARIS (The Star of the Sea Shrine) and SKY REEF to advance the wedding & reception venue prep. As we climbed out of the jeep and entered the reception area, I was immediately solicited by a couple tourists... for pricing? At first, I was confused but then realized I was completely dressed in white, and they thought I was the massage guy. So, after giving out a few massages (I had a wedding to pay for) I got back on track with last minute checklist stuff. All was good, the staff at SKY REEF had everything for the reception dialed in. I

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he could whip up some wedding tunes to cover the ceremony. With little to no heads-up Larry said "of course, all I need is a guitar, a couple picks, a capo, and some tasty waves" ... Well, he didn't mention the waves' part. Ha! So, we borrowed PAKO the reception musician's guitar, picks & capo, had a brief sound check and Larry was ready to roll. The night prior Larry and I had a quick exchange on what songs to use. We agreed on "The Lord's Prayer & Unchained melody" I asked him to decide the rest of it with whatever tunes he liked. Larry was like "cool, no problem" It was a good call!

Ok, now it's time for the big show. The ceremony! I quickly throw on my blue groom's jacket (so instead of a massage guy I look like a boat captain), cool! We start lining up. I am with little Poppy (My new 8-year-old daughter), brother Aaron is with maid of honor Paige (Jessi's only sibling), brother Rob is with Kim (Jessi's Mom). Larry is cranking out "Waseca Girl" on the guitar warming up the crowd. Suddenly a car appears and in the backseat is my beautiful bride to be. She is chauffeured by our Cozumel friends Ana & Billy. My heart skips a beat. Just like that PADRE JORGE departs the Shrine and signals to all of us - its go time... I was getting a little tight chested. Before you know it Poppy and I are moving. I wonder how my hair looks but am pleasantly distracted by the beautiful music. Uncle Larry is playing Unchained Melody. I am grabbing aunts' hands and shooting knuckles to buddies. As Poppy and I walk the aisle towards the alter I see many smiles, and a few looks of disbelief. I remember Dan & Arlene, Stretch & Deb, Connie, Godmother Nancy, Betty, Andy & Anna, Debra & Larry along with many close friends and soon to be in-laws. I see my family - Brianna & Riley, Josh & Christine, my nieces Ada & Noa and most importantly my loving Mother and Father! It was a great. We were blessed to have about 80 people with us in the chapel that beautiful day. And the view! The Shrine was nestled right on the water next to the reef, The beautiful blues of the Caribbean Ocean were on full display, It was spectacular. I had a little side wish for that day. I was really hoping to have the sun shine bright with a light breeze to bring that beauty of that water out in all its glory. By golly, that wish was granted. So, back to the procession, it continued, and Poppy and I are the 1st to reach the alter. I am fighting back the urge to shed a couple of tears. I bend down and give that little Poppy a big hug. I can barely breath. She squeeze's me good & tight. I am darn near losing it! We set in our places and turn around while the procession continues. Then the big moment... Jessi appears with her dad, Leroy. I am trying my hardest to get air! Leroy slowly walks Jess down the aisle, finally arrives, shakes my hand, gives me a hug, and hand my bride to be off to me. The mass continues and we eventually have a heartfelt exchange of vows. As I said those words, I ever so gently slid the ring on her finger. In turn Jessi said her words and jammed that ring on my finger like a boss. We laughed, the crowd laughed, Padre Jorge grinned with approval. We kissed and were pronounced man and wife!

As the ceremony ended Padre in his broken English looked at Jessi and I and said "march". He motioned for us to begin the recessional. Larry positioned at the front chapel with his guitar hears Padre say this and replies with a grin "Oh, march!" and begins a marching strum on his guitar. In the meantime, Jessi and I do our 180 degree turn and begin our walk. As we take our first few steps Larry fires into the opening lyrics of the recessional song, and I hear "she's a good hearted woman in love with a good timing man". I was happy and laughing... Larry picked the best song ever, I knew I could leave it to him!

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As the wedding day progressed, we enjoyed Mexican food, cold beverages, lots of laughter, dancing (One of the favorite of the cover songs for the uncles was THE BLOODHOUND GANGS – DISCOVERY CHANNEL)! To ice the cake, we had a most glorious sunset that I just know was compliments of Grandma Barbara & Grandpa Alphonse! It was the most perfect day of my entire life! Jessi and I are grateful beyond our wildest dreams!

By the way, I waited 49 year, Jessi 38 years to get married so our party isn't over! Mr. & Mrs. Mages will be hosting our MN reception in Owatonna on July 29, 2023. It's going to be a big ole BBQ with lots of great live music. Save the date & stay tuned for more details. You are all invited!

Jory



Photo above is Larry who played guitar and sang at the wedding. The photo below is the catholic beach church where the ceremony took place.

Above photo is Jessi and Jory with the priest. Photo below is the happy and proud parents, Jane and Rick.



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Hosted by the DAN and ARLENE Mages Family

Magesfest 2023 will be hosted by the Dan Mages family this year, July 07 & 08. Camp sites can't be booked until after midnight January 01, 2023 and then Dan will book a bunch of these camping sites plus the two cabins. If you are interested in any of these sites please let Dan know ASAP phone number is 507-276-4006 or Greg Mages at 507-276-0325. You can do Friday or Saturday night or both.

Magesfest will be held at Sportsman's Park in Sleepy Eye, Minnesota.