



## Mildred Hagedorn Leggett

September 28, 1921 - November 18, 2016

Mildred Hagedorn Leggett, 95, of Santa Claus, passed away, Friday, November 18th at Willowdale Village in Dale. She was born on September 28, 1921 to Oscar and Maria Mathilda (Werne) Vaal. Mildred married Ervin Hagedorn on October 12, 1940 in St. Meinrad. He preceded her in death on January 3, 1976. She married Robert (Bob) Leggett on April 25, 2003. Mildred was a member of St. Nicholas Catholic Church in Santa Claus. Mildred enjoyed bowling, golfing and fishing with family and friends. She especially enjoyed having her children and grandchildren gathered around her. Mildred is survived by her husband Bob Leggett of Santa Claus; nine daughters, Linda (Jan) Braun, Lula (Gene) Michel, Brenda (Pat) Arnold, Ruthie (Rike) Winchell and Rita (Jim) Voges all of Santa Claus, Janice (Michael) Flannigan of Jasper, Connie (Charlie) Schmitt of Grayson, GA., Gail (Jim) Kippenbrock of Carmel, IN., Laura Janay of Orlando, FL.; three sons, Donald (Marietta) Hagedorn of Waverly, KY., Ralph (Judy) Hagedorn of Morganfield, KY., Paul Hagedorn of Dale; one step-son, Mark (Sue) Leggett of Ballston Lake, NY; one step-daughter, Barbara (John) Burst of Bradenton FL.; one brother, Edgar Vaal and a sister, Irene Wendholt both of Ferdinand; thirty eight grandchildren; five step-grandchildren; seventy seven great-grandchildren and ten great-step-grandchildren. Mildred was preceded in death by her husband, Ervin Hagedorn; two brothers, Eugene and Alvin Vaal. Funeral services will be at 10:00 AM CDT Wednesday at St. Nicholas Church in Santa Claus with burial to follow in Saint Meinrad Cemetery. Visitation will be Tuesday from 5-7:00 PM CDT at St. Nicholas Catholic Church and Wednesday from 8:00 AM CDT until time of services at the church. All visitation and services are private to relatives only. Memorial contributions may be made to Heart to Heart Hospice or St. Nicholas Catholic Church.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **22**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM.

St. Nicholas Catholic Church  
Santa Claus, IN

## Visitation

NOV **23**. 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM.

St. Nicholas Catholic Church  
Santa Claus, IN

## Funeral

NOV **23**. 10:00 AM.

St. Nicholas Catholic Church  
Santa Claus, IN

## Burial

NOV **23**.

St. Meinrad Cemetery  
St. Meinrad, IN

# Tribute Wall

“ Mom,

*I wish I could hold your hand right now as I am reading this. I can see your smile and I know you are so happy to see everyone here today to celebrate You and Your Life. The majority of the people here in this church today are alive and Living because of You. Mom, this is your family! This is what you and Dad created. You were so Strong and Proud, and Loving.....I cannot imagine any other woman than You creating, nurturing and raising this Large family with such strong bonds of Love.*

*Mom you have inspired each of us and you will continue to inspire us. While you were on this Earth.....You Lived!!! You fully experienced life and love..... You traveled the world, rode an ostrich in Africa, won a bowling tournament in Las Vegas, Danced Every Weekend, Won a Beauty Pageant in your 70's, you were successful in business, and your Greatest Accomplishment of all was Us.....Your 12 Children!*

*We used to love listening to your childhood stories of when you were little and how you had to use cheese cloth to filter water from the well before you drank it; how excited you were when you and dad moved into your first house with electricity; how Grandma would give you a hot baked potato to hold on your walk to school to keep your hands warm,; and how you loved the special treat of store bought bread.*

*One day many years ago, you took me to the nursing home, to visit your Aunt Therese. You told me that you loved holding her hand, because it felt like your Mother's hand. You cried and said you missed your Mother very much. You have been missing both your Mom and your Dad for so many years, and I know right now, they are so Happy to see you and hug you and kiss you.*

*I am happy for you Mom. I am happy that you get to see Grandma and Grandpa again. I am happy that you get to see Eugene, Ally, and Dad. I am happy that you are warm and all the pain is gone. I am happy that you can dance and sing and be free. I am happy that you can think clearly and laugh again. Mom, I am happy that now, you are truly "Living the Life of Riley"*

*Mom, you were so proud of your 12 children. You would always count to make sure we were all present, and I know you will continue counting, watching over and guiding each of us from above.*

*We all Love You , Mother, very much.....Please tell Dad how much we Love and Miss him, and give him a Huge Hug and Kiss from each of Us.*

*And Mom, one more thing.....I would like to say Thank You! Thank You for giving us life, Thank You for all of my brothers and sisters. Thank you for teaching us to love, respect, and value each other. Thank you for teaching us the value of family and the importance of always sticking together.*

*You and Dad created a Miracle.....A Beautiful Family that Loves, Cares, and Values each other. Yes, we do have disagreements at times. And when we do.....someone always repeats your words. "That's Tough!" And we find a way to work through it.*

*I Love You Mom, and I am honored to be your daughter! We are all honored to be your 12 Beautiful Children.....Your Babies.*

*And Yes Mom, I counted for you.....1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12.....We are all here!!*

*We Love You, Mom*

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**Rita voges** - November 25, 2016 at 01:33 PM

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“ *A very wonderful lady. Prayers to everyone in your family.  
The Tornatta's...*

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**Brian Tornatta** - November 23, 2016 at 07:04 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mildred  
Hagedorn Leggett.*



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November 22, 2016 at 05:31 AM

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“ *Janice So sorry to hear about your Mom. Prayers for you and family. I remember  
many good times at your home when we were younger*

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**Ann Hostetter** - November 22, 2016 at 04:36 AM