

## *Jane Elizabeth Freitag Ford*

Born on September 26, 1927 to Ruth and Gus Freitag in Elyria, Ohio, Jane passed away on March 1, 2014 and entered into the presence of the Lord. Jane, affectionately known as Mama Jane, to her treasured twelve grandchildren and eight great grandchildren was loving, caring and kind to all that crossed her path.

An identical twin in a family of eight children, Jane was reared in Houston and attended Stephen F. Austin High School and the University of Houston. In 1948 she met Creed Ford, Jr., a graduate of Texas A&M and they were married on December 31, 1949. They were blessed with five children, all graduates of Lake Highlands High School, Dallas where Jane was a member of the Lake Highlands Women's League. Being a mother was her life and passion until the children fledged the nest at which time Jane began playing golf. She was a proud member of the National Hole-In-One Club and served as president of the Dallas Athletic Club Ladies Golf Association. Jane was an avid supporter of her children's athletic endeavors and a faithful fan of the fighting Texas Aggies and the Texas Rangers. An accomplished cake decorator and gourmet cook, her greatest pleasure came from entertaining family and friends and making her home and garden beautiful and inviting. Jane's fondest memories were travels with Creed, her beloved husband of 64 years.

Jane is survived by Creed Ford, Jr., her husband, daughter Karen Cook and her husband Bill of Longview, son Creed Ford, III and his wife Lynn of Austin, son Randal Ford, Sr. and his wife Denise of Dallas, son Terry Ford and his wife Julie of Dallas, and daughter Nancy Mulligan of Boulder, CO., twelve grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. Jane was preceded in death by her twin sister, Jean Stone.

*The family of Jane Ford wish to thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy and many acts of kindness during this difficult time.*

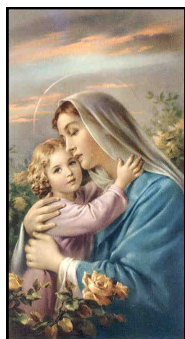
*You are invited to visit with the family at lunch, which will be served in the St. Monica Family Center immediately following the Mass.*

*The procession will depart at 1:00 for the Commitment at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery at 2:15 at 2000 Mountain Creek Pkwy, Dallas, TX 75211*

*In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to*

*St. Monica Catholic Church                      The Dallas Arboretum  
9933 Midway Rd, Dallas, TX 75220        8525 Garland Rd, Dallas, TX 75218*

*Or a charity of your choice.*



*Programs provided by  
St. Monica Parish community.*

## *Funeral Mass for Jane Elizabeth Freitag Ford*



*September 26, 1927 - March 1, 2014*

*March 7, 2014  
St. Monica Catholic Church  
Dallas, Texas*

## INTRODUCTORY RITES

May the Father of mercies, the God of all consolation, be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

In the waters of Baptism, Jane died with Christ and rose with him to new life. May she now share with him eternal glory.

## ENTRANCE HYMN

*On Eagle's Wings*

Song # 690

## OPENING PRAYER

O God, who have set limit to this present life, so as to open up an entry into eternity, we humbly beseech you, that by the grace of your mercy you may command the name of your servant Jane to be inscribed in the book of life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING

Proverbs 31:10-31

*A reading from the Book of Proverbs*

When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls. Her husband, entrusting his heart to her, has an unfailing prize. She brings him good, and not evil, all the days of her life. She obtains wool and flax and makes cloth with skillful hands. Like merchant ships, she secures her provisions from afar. She rises while it is still night, and distributes food to her household. She picks out a field to purchase; out of her earnings she plants a vineyard. She is girt about with strength, and sturdy are her arms. She makes her own coverlets; fine linen and purple are her clothing. Her husband is prominent at the city gates as he sits with the elders of the land. She makes garments and sells them, and stocks the merchants with belts. She is clothed with strength and dignity, and she laughs at the days to come. She opens her mouth in wisdom, and on her tongue is kindly counsel. She watches the conduct of her household, and eats not her food in idleness. Her children rise up and praise her; her husband, too, extols her: "Many are the women of proven worth, but you have excelled them all." Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting; the woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Give her a reward of her labors, and let her works praise her at the city gates.

The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 62

**Rest in God alone, my soul.**

Only in God is my soul at rest;  
from him comes my salvation.  
He only is my rock and my salvation,  
my stronghold; I shall not be disturbed at all.

**Rest in God alone, my soul.**

Only in God be at rest, my soul,  
for from him comes my hope.  
He only is my rock and my salvation,  
my stronghold; I shall not be disturbed.

**Rest in God alone, my soul.**

With God is my safety and my glory,  
he is the rock of my strength; my refuge is in God.  
Trust in him at all times, O my people!  
Pour out your hearts before him.

**Rest in God alone, my soul.**

## SECOND READING

Philippians 3:20-21

*A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians*

Brothers and sisters:

Our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified Body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself.

The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL

John 11:17-27

## HOMILY

Fr. Alan McDonald

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

## PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

## OFFERTORY HYMN

*Ave Maria*

Gwen Mulligan  
Granddaughter

## COMMUNION MUSIC

## MEDITATION HYMN

*I Can Only Imagine*

Emily Susman  
Granddaughter

## EULOGY

Nancy Mulligan  
Daughter

## PRAYERS OF FINAL COMMENDATION

Before we go our separate ways, let us take leave of our sister. May our farewell express our affection for her; may it ease our sadness and strengthen our hope. One day we shall joyfully greet her again when the love of Christ, which conquers all things, destroys even death itself.

Saints of God, come to her aid! Hasten to meet her, angels of the Lord.

**Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.**

May Christ, who called you, take you to himself;

May angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

**Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.**

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

**Receive her soul and present her to God the Most High.**

Into your hands, Father of mercies, we commend our sister Jane, in the sure and certain hope that, together with all who have died in Christ, she will rise with him on the last day.

We give you thanks for the blessings which you bestowed upon Jane in this life; they are a sign to us of your goodness and of our fellowship with the saints in Christ.

Merciful Lord, turn toward us and listen to our prayers: open the gates of paradise to your servant and help us who remain to comfort one another with assurances of faith, until we all meet in Christ and are with you and with our sister forever. We ask this through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

*How Great Thou Art*

Song # 578