

Even after her death, Julia Child remains a food icon

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WASHINGTON – Like a fine wine, which she was known to enjoy, Julia Child is aging well.

Yes, she died two days short of 92 in August 2004, but her spirit lives on. Aug. 15 will mark what would have been her 100th birthday, and she would have liked nothing more than to celebrate with a big slice of cake made with lots and lots of butter.

Or, as she once famously said, “if you’re afraid of butter, use cream.”

Eight years after her death, Child remains a virtually untouchable American icon, even among foodies who are not known for playing well with others. As she did in life, she remains clear of any food fight. Like a good cream, rising to the top.

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