



Rosella Berger

March 22, 1927 - March 26, 2018

Rosella Berger, age 91, of Carroll, Iowa died Monday, March 26, 2018, at St. Anthony Nursing Home in Carroll, surrounded by her family.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2018, at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Carroll. The Celebrant will be Rosie's grandson, Fr. Kevin Earleywine. Con-Celebrants will be Fr. Kevin Richter, and Fr. Gary Snyder. Music will be by Dr. Bradley Barrett. Rosie's granddaughters: Kate Earleywine, and Ella Lehmann will lector for the funeral mass.

Presenting the Offertory Gifts will be Rosie's granddaughters: Lisa Aesoph, Lizette Berger, and Sarah Beckelheimer. Eucharistic Minister will be Rosie's son-in-law: Jim Lehmann. Honorary Casket Bearers will be Rosie's grandchildren: Lisa Aesoph, Jill Masching, Amy Mosier, Aaron Berger, Holly Berger, Ellen Hoffman, Lizette Berger, Ema Smaldone, Sarah Beckelheimer, Abraham Lehmann, Ella Lehmann, Anna Lehmann, Matthew Earleywine, Kate Earleywine, and Fr. Kevin Earleywine. Casket Bearers will be: Dr. Charles Lehmann, Mark Earleywine, David Earleywine, Justin Hoffman, Andrew Smaldone, Ethan Masching, and Tyler Masching. Burial will be at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Mt. Carmel at 1:30 p.m. The Carroll Catholic Daughters of the America's and the St. Anthony Hospital Auxiliary will form an honor guard for the funeral mass.

Friends may call at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll after 4 p.m. on Monday,

where there will be a Catholic Daughters of the Americas Rosary prayed at 5 p.m., and a Christian Wake Service will be held at 6:30 p.m.

The casket will be moved to Holy Spirit Church on Tuesday morning, where visitation will resume at 9:30 a.m., and continue until the time of the funeral mass.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll, and online condolences may be left for Rosella's family at www.sharppfuneral.com.

Born on March 22, 1927 on a farm near Lidderdale, Iowa, Rosella was the daughter of Rudolph and Mary (Underberg) Nees. At a young age her family moved to a farm near Mt. Carmel, she attended school at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School, and in 1944 she graduated from St. Angela's Academy in Carroll. After her formal education Rosie worked for the Department of the United States Navy in Washington D.C. for one year before returning to the Carroll area.

On July 2, 1947 Rosie was united in marriage to Gus Berger at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Catholic Church in Mt. Carmel. After they were married Rosie was a devoted homemaker, raising their children, and maintaining their home. Gus passed away in June of 1971. Following his passing Rosie worked as a Podiatrists Assistant, and as a retail associate at Sernett's in Carroll. On August 12, 1989, Rosie was united in marriage to Loren "Bud" Keairnes at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Carroll. Bud passed away in 1998.

Rosie was an active volunteer in the Carroll area for many years. Some of her significant volunteer works were at St. Anthony Nursing Home, St. Anthony Hospital Auxiliary, R.S.V.P., where she specialized in making bookmarks for the summer reading program, and sewing over 200 mission dresses, for

various missions. She enjoyed cross-stitching, reading, playing cards, and sewing. Most of all Rosie enjoyed the time she spent with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. Rosie was very active with the Carroll Catholic Daughters of the America's, serving in several leadership positions over the years. Rosie was a member of Holy Spirit Parish in Carroll.

Left to celebrate Rosie's life are her children: Robert (Mary) Berger of Cherokee, James (Sylvia) Berger of Mt. Carmel, Linda (Jim) Lehmann of Cedar Rapids, and Kathy (Steve) Earleywine of Brodhead, WI; 18 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren; her siblings: Kenneth Nees of Mt. Carmel, Mary Ann Brandt of Manning, and Duane (Loretta) Nees of Cincinnati, OH; her sisters-in-law, and brother-in-law: Helen Henn of Petersburg, NE, Lambert Hoffman of Graettinger, and Jean Berger of Bondurant; as well as many nieces, nephews, and other extended family members.

Rosie was preceded in death by her parents: Rudolph and Mary Nees, her husbands: Gus Berger, and Bud Keairnes; a granddaughter: Lidia Berger; her siblings: Marvin (Lorraine) Nees, Florence (Arnold) Chamberlain, Rita (John) Dentlinger, Elmer (Marjean) Nees, two brothers in infancy: Francis, and Donald Nees; her sister-in-law, and brothers-in-law: Jeanette Nees, Herbert Miller, and Bert Brandt.

Tribute Wall

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“ *The family of John & Rita Dentlinger purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Rosella Berger.*



The family of John & Rita Dentlinger - March 31, 2018 at 11:32 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rosella Berger.*



March 30, 2018 at 07:03 PM

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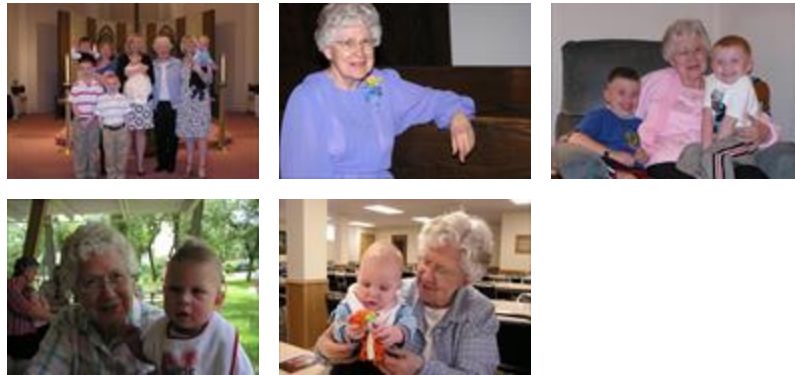
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Bob Berger - March 29, 2018 at 11:54 PM

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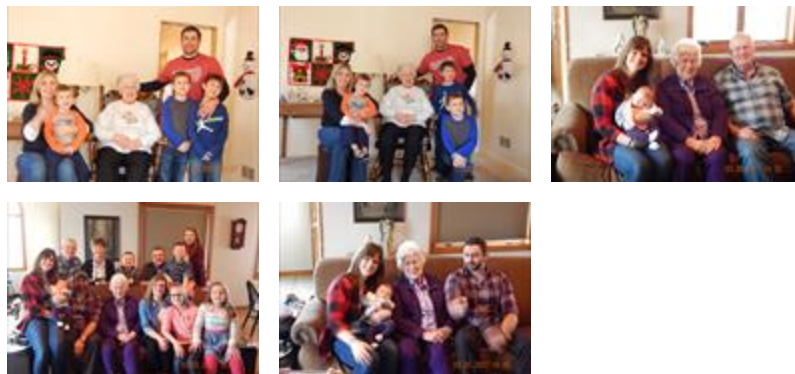
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Bob Berger - March 29, 2018 at 11:06 PM

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Bob Berger - March 29, 2018 at 10:14 PM

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Linda Lehmann - March 29, 2018 at 12:27 PM

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“ Dear Linda and Jim, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your dear mother, Rosella. Please know that I am praying for your entire family at this very difficult time. God Bless all of you - with all my love, Theresa Detert

Theresa Detert - March 28, 2018 at 10:09 PM

JB

“ Jolene Berger lit a candle in memory of Rosella Berger



jolene berger - March 28, 2018 at 07:14 PM

JB

“ Our deepest sympathy to your family in the loss of a wonderful person.
Prayers for all at this time and God grant you all peace.

Janice (Daniel) & Mike Boes - March 28, 2018 at 04:11 PM

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David - March 28, 2018 at 03:56 PM

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David - March 28, 2018 at 03:48 PM

SR

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Enjoyed visiting with Rosella when we would run into each other.*

Shannon (Nees) Reising - March 28, 2018 at 12:27 PM

NS

“ *God bless you all in the immediate and extended Berger family! I have many fond memories of the fun (and work) that our two families shared while growing up on the farm near Mt. Carmel. From steak fries to harvesting, there was always time for laughs. I hope you find peace in Rosie's passing to be with Christ for eternity.
Nick Schapman (West Chester, Ohio)*

Nick Schapman - March 28, 2018 at 11:07 AM

MJ

“ So sorry to hear about Rosella's passing. Sending you our deepest sympathy and prayers.
Margie Schapman Jenkins

Margie Jenkins - March 28, 2018 at 10:20 AM

CS

“ My Sympathy to the family of Rosella. May God grant her eternal rest and peace.
Carleen Schwieso



Carleen Schwieso - March 28, 2018 at 08:07 AM

AT

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you!
Love you!



April Tigges - March 28, 2018 at 05:19 AM