



Rosemary Aspenson

July 26, 2019

Rosemary J. Aspenson, 84, of Rockford, IL; formerly of Apache Junction, AZ, and Belvidere, IL; went to be with her Lord and Savior on July 26, 2019. Born August 19, 1934 in Readstown, WI; daughter of Carroll and Leola (Hutchinson) Hankins. United in marriage on August 29, 1953, to Orland Aspenson. Rosemary lived a life centered around God and family. A devoted Christian, she spent countless hours serving and volunteering at the various churches which she attended, and worked to bring others she came in contact with closer to Christ. Reunited in heaven, she was the loving wife of 65 years to her husband Orland, and together they became the foundation and example for generations to follow. Family defined Rosemary. Whether she was on the forefront of gathering siblings, cousins and other family and friends at the Readstown Advancement building for celebrations, reunions, birthdays, and other special events, or showing off her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren to anyone who was around, family meant everything to her. She spent most of her life in her two favorite places, the kitchen and her beauty shop. Rosemary worked many years as a beautician, often from her in-home shop. Many lifelong friendships were formed from that shop, but perhaps even more friendships were formed from her amazing baked goods and famous recipes which were always from scratch. Rosemary never hesitated to speak what was on her mind and always pushed those around her to find the best in themselves. Her honesty, warm smile, generosity, selfless nature, and genuine care for others leave lasting impressions on the people she leaves behind. She treated everyone like they were the most important person in the world to her, and often went out of her way to give people opportunities or words of encouragement when they needed it most. Rosemary always had a way of leaving everyone with their hearts and bellies full and will truly be missed by everyone who came to know her. Survived by her children; David and Ken (Sheri) Aspenson; grandchildren, Alasia Brei-Aspenson, Eric (Nicole) Aspenson, Sarah (Dustin) Bankord, Emma (Ryan) McWilliams, Nate (Holly) Aspenson, Anna Aspenson; great-grandchildren, Owen, Bailey, Tyler, Wyatt, Avery, Sawyer, Nora, and Elliott; brother, Andy Bill (Rhonda) Hankins; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Preceded in death by her parents, husband, infant brother, Carroll Jr. and sisters, Vivian, Claramae, Carolyn and Shirley. Memorial visitation on Saturday, August 17, 2019 from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at Heartland Community

Church, 1280 S. Alpine Rd. Rockford, followed by a Celebration of Life at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Cindy Marino will officiate. Private interment in Belvidere Cemetery. Grace Funeral & Cremation Services is assisting the family. Share a memory or condolence at www.graceFH.com.

Events

AUG **Memorial Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Heartland Community Church

1280 S. Alpine Rd., Rockford, IL, US, 61108

AUG **Memorial Service** 11:00AM - 12:00PM

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Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - August 19 at 10:38 AM



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Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - August 17 at 08:25 AM



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Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - August 15 at 04:01 PM



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Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - August 15 at 02:06 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Rosemary Aspenson.



August 01 at 02:55 PM



“ Rosemary was a dear friend and a very loved aunt to all our family. She will be missed so much; our memories with her and Orland will be forever cherished. It was an honor that she considered me 'the daughter she never had'. Our families grew up together and shared countless camping trips and family gatherings, with lots of food, laughter, haircuts and yes, tears as well. Rosemary was my mom's best friend her whole life, and I'm lucky to say she was mine as well. Please rest in peace.

Sandra Sherry Young - July 31 at 01:18 PM



“ Occasionally Rosemary and I would have a cook off in the old Methodist church kitchen, nobody really won we just had fun! Blessings to the family, Ann and Gary Turner

Ann and Gary Turner - July 31 at 01:07 PM



“ Sandra Sherry Young lit a candle in memory of Rosemary Aspenson



Sandra Sherry Young - July 31 at 12:57 PM