



Kathleen 'Kay' Louise Rodgers

November 13, 1934 - September 25, 2010

Loving Wife and Mother, Safe in the Arms of Jesus

Kathleen "Kay" Louise Rodgers, 75 of Rockford died on Saturday, September 25, 2010 in her home, surrounded by her loving family, after a two year battle with pancreatic cancer. Kathleen was born on November 13, 1934 in Bloomingdale, IL, daughter of Willard and Evelyn Pohlman. Kathleen was married to Henry R. Rodgers Sr. on February 19, 1955. Kathleen was a devoted wife and mother, and was very much loved by her husband and their nine children. Kathleen was a strong willed woman who survived breast cancer in 1985. She loved animals, especially cats. Kathleen enjoyed playing board games and trivia, she was an avid reader. Kay enjoyed volunteer work, both at church and at school as room mother, PTO and at sports events. She loved music, especially country. She loved movies and often during the summer would pile all the kid's along with their cousins and head for the 'Outdoor' movie show. Kay liked to have fun and to laugh. She was a devoted Catholic. Kathleen is survived by her husband; children, Michael (Deneen Ybarra) Rodgers, of Granite City, William (Elisabeth "Lisa") Rodgers of Caledonia, Kenneth (Kim Larson) Rodgers of Rockton, Tammy (Bruce) Hautamaki of Rockford, Kellyn (Bruce) Denton of Mt. Morris, Paddi (Arthur) Contreras of Rockford, Henry (Luanne) Rodgers Jr. of Rockford, Sean (Ashley) Rodgers of Loves Park, Ryan (Sara Harrilchak) of Loves Park;

daughter-in-law Heidi Rodgers of Georgia; Grandchildren; Jessica Rodgers, GA, Heather (Clay) Slover, GA, Erik Rodgers, NIU, Sara Rodgers, Krystle Rodgers, TX, Jennifer Larson, CO, Cody Larson, Logan (Marisa) Hautamaki, Brennan Hautamaki, Fred Hautamaki, Rachel Denton (fiance' Chad), Kelsey Denton, Alexis Denton, Ashley Denton, Lupe, Rosey, Arthur Contreras Jr., Justin Rodgers, Nicholas Dickman, Morgan Rodgers, Danielle Rodgers, John Henry Rodgers, Sterling Lilly, and Great-Grandchildren; Landyn, Clayton, River and Caleb; siblings, Gerald (Crystal) Pohlman of Dixon, Jeannine "Bunny" Villarreal of Texas, numerous nieces and nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her parents, grandson Jon Harley, beloved sister Patricia and brother, Phillip, daughter-in-law, Trudy (Rodgers) Tyler. Special thanks to all the staff at OSF Center for Cancer Care, especially Dr. Korkmaz, who Kay loved, Peggy R., Megan Z. and Karrie. Many thanks to OSF Hospice. God Bless Marilyn for her loving care.

A Celebration of Kathleen's life will be held on Thursday, September 30, 2010 at Heartland Community Church, 1280 South Alpine Rd. Rockford at 7:00 pm. Visitation begins at 5:00 pm until the time of the service. Cremation rites will be accorded. Grace Funeral & Cremation Services, Rockford is assisting the family with arrangements. To share a memory or leave a condolence online, please visit www.graceFH.com.

Cemetery Details

Cremation Rites will be accorded

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 30. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Heartland Community Church
1280 South Alpine Road
Rockford, IL

Service

SEP 30. 7:00 PM (CT)

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1280 South Alpine Road
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Tribute Wall



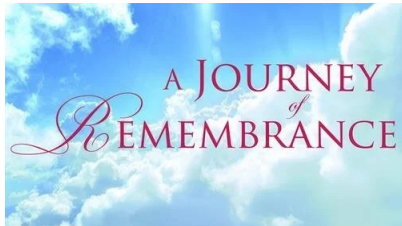
“ Grace Funeral & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Kathleen 'Kay' Louise Rodgers



Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - November 04, 2014 at 11:17 AM



“ Grace Funeral & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Kathleen 'Kay' Louise Rodgers



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“ Priscilla Mittenberg lit a candle in memory of Kathleen 'Kay' Louise Rodgers



Priscilla Mittenberg - October 01, 2010 at 09:19 AM

PA

“ *Paddi lit a candle in memory of Kathleen 'Kay' Louise Rodgers*



Paddi - September 30, 2010 at 11:05 PM

MD

“ *Michael Deneen lit a candle in memory of Kathleen 'Kay' Louise Rodgers*



Michael Deneen - September 30, 2010 at 08:51 PM

BV

“ *Linda Diaz*



Bunny Villarreal - September 30, 2010 at 07:19 PM

BV

“ *Bunny Villarreal lit a candle in memory of Kathleen 'Kay' Louise Rodgers*



Bunny Villarreal - September 30, 2010 at 07:18 PM

SS

“ *Sherry Swendsen lit a candle in memory of Kathleen 'Kay' Louise Rodgers*



Sherry Swendsen - September 30, 2010 at 06:00 PM

BV

“ *Bunny Villarreal lit a candle in memory of Kathleen 'Kay' Louise Rodgers*



Bunny Villarreal - September 30, 2010 at 12:33 PM

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“ *Lora (claus)Angelini lit a candle in memory of Kathleen 'Kay' Louise Rodgers*



lora (claus)Angelini - September 30, 2010 at 10:50 AM

L(

your family is in my prayers....the world has lost a great person...

lora (claus)Angelini - September 30, 2010 at 10:51 AM

SP

“ *Shelly Pohlman lit a candle in memory of Kathleen 'Kay' Louise Rodgers*



Shelly Pohlman - September 30, 2010 at 08:36 AM

ER

“ *Elisabeth Rodgers lit a candle in memory of Kathleen 'Kay' Louise Rodgers*



Elisabeth Rodgers - September 30, 2010 at 07:29 AM

ER

Yes Mom, Jesus Loves You!

Elisabeth Rodgers - September 30, 2010 at 07:29 AM

PM

your songs were beautiful at the memorial last nite! Watched from the web.

Priscilla Mittenberg - October 01, 2010 at 09:20 AM



“ *Bill Rodgers lit a candle in memory of Kathleen 'Kay' Louise Rodgers*



Bill Rodgers - September 29, 2010 at 10:37 PM



Mom, your my hero.

Bill Rodgers - September 29, 2010 at 10:38 PM

TA

“ *Tami Austin sent a virtual gift in memory of Kathleen 'Kay' Louise Rodgers*



Tami Austin - September 28, 2010 at 03:34 PM

SH

“ *May the peace that comes from the memories of your love for Kathleen comfort you now and in the days ahead.*



Sharon Harrilchak - September 28, 2010 at 08:07 AM

TH

“ *Mom, I will miss you everyday.*



Tammy Hautamaki - September 27, 2010 at 08:28 PM

DP

Deb Pouder - September 30, 2010 at 07:46 AM