



## Ruth E. Kolar

June 5, 1934 - June 24, 2017

Ruth E. Kolar, 83, of Rockford died peacefully in her home, on June 24, 2017 surrounded by her family. Born on June 5, 1934 in Titonka, IA; daughter of Bernard and Leita (Sperring) Phelps. United in marriage to Joseph Kolar on December 18, 1984. Ruth worked in accounting for several local businesses. Member of Christ United Methodist Church and the Zonta Club. She was a talented seamstress, loved baking, playing the slots, and vacationing with her family and friends. Survived by daughter, Shelley Gale; grandchildren, Karla Gale, Kari Gale, Kyle Brechon, Corey Brechon, Cody Brechon; great-grandchildren, Aubrey, Lilly, Brady, Juliana, Nora, Rieker, Merritt, Morrison; brother, Merle (Margaret) Phelps; sister-in-law, Betty Phelps and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Preceded in death by her parents; husband, Joseph Kolar; son, Paul Krominga Jr.; former spouse, Paul Krominga Sr.; daughter, Sharie Brechon; infant sister, Dorothy Phelps; brother, Leroy Phelps. Celebration of Life on July 8, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at Christ United Methodist Church, 4509 Highcrest Rd., Rockford. Rev. Jane Eesley will officiate. Memorial visitation at 9:30 a.m. until the time of service. Grace Funeral & Cremation Services assisted the family. Private interment in Kossuth County, Portland Township, Iowa. Ruth's benevolent influence in her friends' and family's lives will never be forgotten and her elegance and admirable legacy will be upheld by all those who shared her presence; a truly beautiful woman, inside and out.

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# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

JUL 8. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Christ United Methodist Church  
4509 Highcrest Rd.  
Rockford, IL

## Celebration of Life

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# Tribute Wall



“ Grace Funeral & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruth E. Kolar



Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - June 30, 2017 at 04:08 PM

PS

“ Ruthie was the best friend ever. Her sense of humor always made me smile. We enjoyed our excursions and playing cards. She was always there to help me.



Pam Sneath - July 06, 2017 at 07:57 PM

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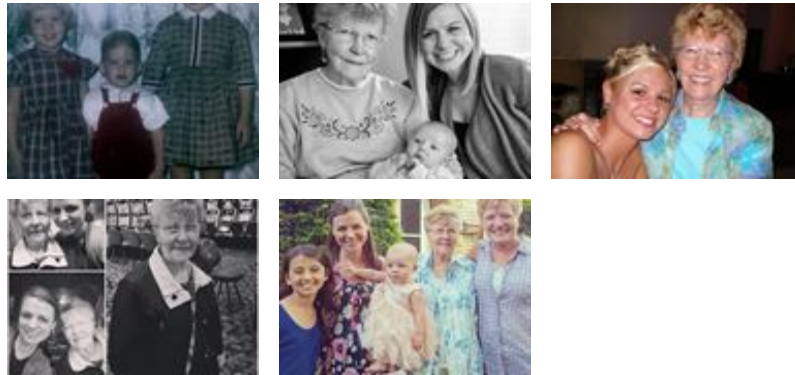
“ Krissy & Toby purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ruth E. Kolar.



Krissy & Toby - July 02, 2017 at 10:48 AM



“ 20 files added to the album Life Tributes



Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - June 30, 2017 at 03:41 PM

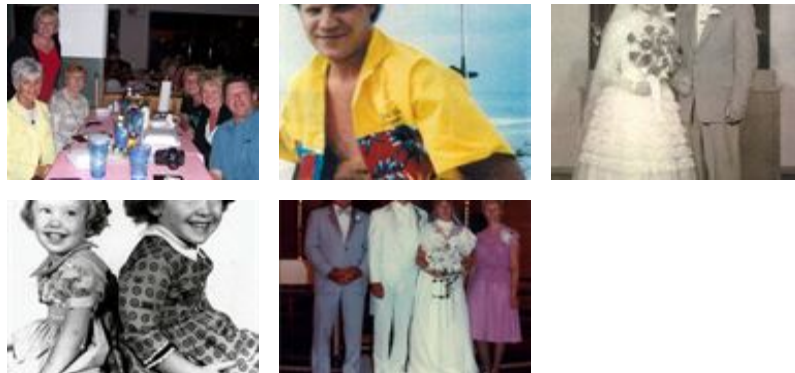
CH

“ So sorry to hear of you loss Shelly I didn't know Ruth was sick. My sympathy to you and your family  
Corinna And Brent

corinna carroll hefty - June 29, 2017 at 08:36 PM



“ 83 files added to the album Life Tributes



Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - June 29, 2017 at 12:51 PM

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“ I remember visiting my Aunt Ruthie many times as a young girl at "tea time", an Iowa tradition, playing her piano as she shared with me her rich assortment of sheet music. She was an elegant, sweet lady who always encouraged and uplifted me...She never seemed to age....even up to my last hospital visit with her. I'm happy she is free from pain and reunited with Paulie and Sharie.

Deborah Dunnavan - June 27, 2017 at 09:04 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth E. Kolar.



June 27, 2017 at 09:47 AM



“ Ruth was such an amazing lady! She was so adventurous and energetic, and sometimes hard to keep up with because she was always on the go. Going to miss this wonderful Lady!!

Fred Miller

Fred Miller - June 26, 2017 at 07:42 PM

MD

“ Your mother was a wonderful woman...she created you and you in turn are an extraordinary woman. I love you and will do my best to support you through our lifetimes. I admire you for your strength and your blessed Mom for making sure all will be ok upon her passing. Many family members do not communicate their feelings as you two did. Xo Melody

Melody Diehl - June 26, 2017 at 07:24 PM

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“*Ruth was one of the kindest women I have ever known and always made me smile. I will truly miss her.*”



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**Kelly Monson** - June 26, 2017 at 06:37 PM