



Gladys L. Wilkening

July 9, 1934 - March 21, 2019

Gladys L. Wilkening, age 84 of Hamel, IL, died Thursday, March 21, 2019, at Eden Retirement Center in Glen Carbon, IL.

She was born on Monday, July 09, 1934, in Edwardsville, IL, the daughter of Louis and Malinda (nee Ziegler) Klenke.

She was a member of Immanuel United Church of Christ, Hamel, IL; church organist for 40 years.

She was born and raised in rural Edwardsville. She and her husband, Earl, moved to Hamel in 1962. She and her daughter, Nancy, owned and operated "Nancy's Rainbow Childhood" Day Care Center in Hamel, from 1984 to 1999. She played the organ for the Immanuel UCC for over 40 years. She enjoyed sewing and baking, She and her husband Don weaved rugs with their weaving loom. She loved to babysit for her grandchildren and great grandchildren and being with family.

Survivors include:

Son - Steven E. (Alice) Bartels, Hamel, IL

Daughter - Karen S. (Steven) Maples, Fenton, MO

Daughter - Joyce A. (Richard) Koenig, Edwardsville, IL

Daughter - Nancy L. (Timothy) Stumpf, Hamel, IL

Son-in-law - Gary D. (Cindy) Henschen, Alhambra, IL

Grandchildren - 13

Great Grandchildren - 31

Brother - Hilbert C. Klenke, Glen Carbon, IL

Brother - Earl (Doris) Klenke, Edwardsville, IL

Sister - Darlene (Leo) Rode, Grantfork, IL

Sister-in-law - Martha Klenke, Worden, IL

Sister In-law - Ruth Klenke, Edwardsville, IL

Sister In-law - Doris Klenke, Granite City, IL

Sister In-law - Faye (Roy) McMillin, Saint Jacob, IL

Sister In-law - Betty Julian, Kansas City, MO

Sister In-law - Marie Bartels, Frisco, TX.

She was preceded in death by:

Father - Louis W. Klenke

Mother - Malinda K. Klenke (nee Ziegler)

First Husband - Earl F. Bartels - Died 11/06/1980;

Married 2/14/1954 @ Immanuel UCC-Hamel

Second Husband - Donald D. Wilkening - Died 3/29/2004;

Married 2/6/1999 @ Immanuel UCC-Hamel

Daughter - Sharon K. Henschen - Died 10/14/1986

Brother - Edwin Klenke

Brother - Lester Klenke

Sister - Louise Woods

Sister - Edna Eberhart

Sister - Ella Ostendorf - Died 3/19/2019

Brother - Wilmer Klenke

Sister In-law - Verna M. Klenke - Died 2/4/2019

Arrangements are being handled by Dauderman Mortuary in Hamel, IL.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM Monday, March 25, 2019, at Immanuel United Church of Christ in Hamel, IL and from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM Tuesday, March 26, 2019, at Immanuel United Church of Christ in Hamel, IL.

Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, March 26, 2019, at Immanuel United Church of Christ in Hamel, IL., with Rev. Dr. C. Dwayne Dollgener, Interim Pastor, Immanuel United Church of Christ, Hamel, IL, officiating.

Interment will be at Immanuel United Church of Christ Cemetery in Hamel, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Immanuel United Church of Christ or Immanuel United Church of Christ Cemetery.

Tribute Wall

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“ Farewell Aunt Gladys, you'll be missed.

Kevin Olive - March 25, 2019 at 06:46 PM

PM

“ Patty Middleton lit a candle in memory of Gladys L. Wilkening



patty middleton - March 23, 2019 at 11:19 AM

VM

“ Vicky McElroy lit a candle in memory of Gladys L. Wilkening



Vicky McElroy - March 22, 2019 at 09:56 AM

AH

“ Ashley Henson lit a candle in memory of Gladys L. Wilkening



Ashley Henson - March 22, 2019 at 09:55 AM

MS

“ *Mary Stumpf lit a candle in memory of Gladys L. Wilkening*



mary stumpf - March 22, 2019 at 12:16 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Gladys L. Wilkening.*



March 21, 2019 at 06:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Gladys L. Wilkening.*



March 21, 2019 at 06:05 PM