



Rita M. Eilers

August 8, 1926 - June 14, 2016

Rita M. Eilers, age 89 of Highland, IL, died Tuesday, June 14, 2016, at her residence in rural Highland, IL.

She was born August 08, 1926, in Highland, IL, the daughter of Aloysius H. and Mary O. (nee Geiger) Woltering.

On July 10, 1946, she married Robert T. Eilers at St. Rose Catholic Church. He passed away on November 20, 2005.

She was a member of Saint Paul Catholic Church. She was also a member of Lee Iten Post 439-American Legion Ladies Auxiliary in Highland, IL.

She was born at Highland, IL and grew up at St. Rose. She attended St. Rose School. Before her marriage, she was a Candy Stripper with St. Joseph Hospital. After marriage, she and her husband live southeast of Highland in Sebastopol area. She and her husband renovated the old East Sugar Creek School House on Leroy Road and made it their home in 1950. She had lived all of her life on the same hectare of land (89 years). She made her own wine for 30 years. She enjoyed quilting, gardening and canning. She cleaned the Aviston American Legion Hall for many years. She loved spending time with her large family.

Survivors include :

Daughter - Patricia A. (Vince) Henrichs, Roswell, GA
Daughter - Carol J. (Robert) Petermeyer, Carlyle, IL
Son - Elmer J. (Yevon) Eilers, Highland, IL
Son - Donald A. (Jane) Eilers, Trenton, IL
Son - Ronald J. (Janet) Eilers, Highland, IL
Daughter - Sharon S. (Danny) Culbertson, Shobonier, IL
Daughter - Rose M. McKee, Star, ID
Son - Thomas A. (Laurie) Eilers, Troy, IL
Son - Francis J. "Frenchie" (Laurie) Eilers, Pocahontas, IL
Son - David A. (Doris) Eilers, Pocahontas, IL
Son - Jeffrey J. Eilers, Highland, IL
Grandchildren - 41
Great Grandchildren - 69
Great Great Grandchildren - Seven
Brother - Theodore B. (Catherine) Woltering, Carlyle, IL
Sister - Emma H. Volin, Lombard, IL
Sister - Sister Olivia A. Woltering ASC, Red Bud, IL
Sister - Mary A. (Floyd) Gilomen, Highland, IL

She was preceded in death by:

Father - Aloysius H. Woltering (died 07/24/1950)
Mother - Mary O. Woltering nee Geiger (died 4/07/1973)
Husband - Robert T. "Bob" Eilers (died 11/20/2005)
Son - Richard C. Eilers (died 2/16/2012)
Son - Jerome R. Eilers (died 09/11/1973)
Son - Frank A. Eilers (died as an infant)
Daughter - Nancy K. Floyd (died 01/17/1982)
Brother - Clarence J. Woltering (died 1999)
Sister - Stella M. Lynge (died 7/27/2014)
Brother - Tech Sgt James V. Woltering USAF (died 03/22/1968)

Brother - John H. F. Woltering (died 6/22/2010)

Brother - Aloysius F. "Jackie" Woltering (died 1947)

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Monday, June 20, 2016, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 8:00 AM to 9:45 AM on Tuesday, June 21, 2016, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral Mass of Christian Burial will be at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, June 21, 2016, at Saint Paul Catholic Church in Highland, IL., with Rev. Father Pat G. Jakel officiating.

Interment will be at Saint Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Legion Post 439-Ladies Auxiliary; Masses; All In 4 You Home Health Services, Inc.

Tribute Wall



“ *Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home & Dauderman Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Rita M. Eilers*



Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - June 20, 2016 at 10:29 AM

SA

“ *To the family of Rita so sorry for your loss. I just found out of her passing. We remember all time visited her and Bob. She always make something to eat . Which was good. So God took a very sweet lady. She lived life to the fullest. Loved all her family dearly. So now she with the angels so god bless Rita. Vincent And Shirley Alberternst, Warrenton, MO*



shirley alberternst - June 23, 2016 at 02:10 PM

DR

“ I send my sympathy to Rita's sons and daughters brother and sisters and her many grandchildren. Being many years younger than her I really did not know her that well. Do remember her from the Woltering Family Reunions. I have always admired her and praise her for the life she led. I know she experienced many times of sorrow and also times of joy but with faith in God she survived to raise a beautiful family. What a legacy. I will have a mass offered for Rita by Fr. Ratermann.

Rita's Cousin, Dan Ratermann

Dan Ratermann - June 21, 2016 at 12:04 PM

JL

“ Jean Luitjohan lit a candle in memory of Rita M. Eilers



Jean Luitjohan - June 20, 2016 at 06:29 PM



“ 35 files added to the album Life Tributes



Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - June 20, 2016 at 10:25 AM

MT

“ *Monsanto Customer Operations Team purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Rita M. Eilers.*



Monsanto Customer Operations Team - June 16, 2016 at 02:51 PM

LO

“ *Lore lit a candle in memory of Rita M. Eilers*



Lore - June 16, 2016 at 02:35 PM

LW

“ *Sending our prayers to the entire family and thank you for sharing such a wonderful tribute to her life. She truly was an amazing lady who accomplished much in her time on earth. Blessings, Tom & Lynda (Lytle) Warner*

Lynda Warner - June 15, 2016 at 11:54 AM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rita M. Eilers.*



June 14, 2016 at 10:22 PM

PL

“ *To the Eilers' family:*

Our deepest heart felt thoughts and prayers for you all. Mr and Mrs Eilers did a terrific job raising fine young men and women of which I've had the honor of knowing and being friends with over the many many years. She will be missed, but memories live on forever in our hearts.

Pan Ulrich Lecerf

Pam Ulrich Lecerf - June 14, 2016 at 08:16 PM

PR

Our deepest sympathy to the entire Eilers family. Thoughts, prayers & hugs to all. Phyllis Rosen & Mark Voigt.

Phyllis Rosen - June 15, 2016 at 09:46 PM