



## Rosemarie C. Wendler

September 16, 1942 - January 19, 2024

Rosemarie C. Wendler nee Zeppetella, age 81 of Highland, IL, died Friday, January 19, 2024, at Saint Joseph's Hospital in Highland, IL.

She was born on Wednesday, September 16, 1942, in Chicago, IL, the daughter of Michael and Catherine (nee Saputo) Zeppetella.

She was a member of St. Paul Catholic Church, Highland, IL.

Mrs. Wendler was born in Chicago, as a child her family moved to St. Louis. The family operated a Market and Restaurant there. The family moved to Worden, IL and operated Kate's restaurant at the Worden "Y". In the late 1950's they opened Zeppetella's Restaurant in Collinsville, IL. After her marriage, Rosemarie moved to Grantfork, IL where she reared her family. In the early 1960's she attended beauty college and was a hairdresser in Collinsville, IL. She later worked in the healthcare field as a CNA and in her retirement, was a bus driver for several years. As an avid bowler, she won a number of awards. She also enjoyed Bingo and Canasta. As a pet owner, she was a advocate for animal rights. "Always there for family & friends... Always left a favorable impression on people she met".

Survivors include:

Son - Alan M. (Christine "Chris") Wendler, Highland, IL

Daughter - Catherine "Cathy" M. Schwarztrauber, Mascoutah, IL

Daughter - Christina M. Grieve, Highland, IL

Grandchild - Shanna M. Wendler, Highland, IL

Grandchild - Katie L. Wendler, Riverton, IL

Grandchild - Taylor R. (Tyler) Carter, Greenville, IL

Grandchild - Erin N. (Matthew) Vaught, Edwardsville, IL

Grandchild - Erica D. Schwarztrauber, Mascoutah, IL

Grandchild - Jordan M. Grieve, Highland, IL

Grandchild - Jenna M. Grieve, Highland, IL

Great Grandchild - Nolan M. Vaught, Edwardsville, IL

Great Grandchild - Lennon O. Vaught, Edwardsville, IL

Great Grandchild - Teagan C. Carter, Greenville, IL.

She was preceded in death by:

Father - Michael P. Zeppetella - Died 6/20/1988

Mother - Catherine Marie Zeppetella (nee Saputo) Died: 10/21/13

Former Husband - Donald R. Wendler - Died 2/02/2020

Brother - Anthony M. Zeppetella - Died 4/19/1969.

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

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Wednesday, January 24, 2024, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM on Thursday, January 25, 2024, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral Service will be at 10:00 AM on Thursday, January 25, 2024, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL, with Rev. Fr. Pat G. Jakel, Pastor, St. Paul Catholic Church, officiating.

Interment will be at Saint Peter and Paul Catholic Cemetery in Collinsville, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Metro East Humane Society - Highland.

# Tribute Wall



“ Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home & Dauderman Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Rosemarie C. Wendler



Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - January 24, 2024 at 11:10 AM

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*I love the video, got to see my best friend for the last time. I enjoyed it, brings back memories, beautiful family. I love the funny faces Rose makes we would make faces and just laugh at each other sure miss that and her I love so she was so funny I really enjoy her and had alots of fun to me and Rose we had ups and downs that life no matter what we stay friends more like sister I could tell u so many funny stories over the year me and her Ho boy we were a trip for sure two peas in a pot we still care and help each other sure will miss her so sad then again she is in heaven in peace no more pain and with her loves one's don't have to suffer that pain no more that she had I always felt sorry for her she will always stay in my heart until we meet again as a happy friends again in the house of our lord Jesus a true blessing for sure until then we will miss u so and alot of memories of us love u rose and for the family so sorry for ur lost may Jesus be with u all and have peace and healing ur mom is in a better place now with alot of love for her loves one in heaven its ever over we will all meet again in heaven together again as a happy family and friends to me that is a blessing and a gift of life because of Jesus he made this all possible life after death rose is love more then she knows by alot of people family and friends stay together until the end amen*

sharon Rench - January 25, 2024 at 09:21 PM

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“ Alan, Cathy, Christina & families  
Sending sincere sympathy 🙏

Beckie & Bob Schrupf - February 08, 2024 at 05:05 PM



“ 60 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - January 24, 2024 at 11:07 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Rosemarie C. Wendler*.



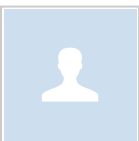
January 23, 2024 at 09:18 AM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of *Rosemarie C. Wendler*.



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“ *Serene Retreat* was purchased for the family of *Rosemarie C. Wendler*.



January 22, 2024 at 03:35 PM