



Rosemary A. Rieke

May 30, 1948 - March 17, 2025

Rosemary Ann Rieke, age 76 of Highland, IL, died Monday, March 17, 2025, at Hitz Memorial Home in Alhambra, IL.

She was born on Tuesday, March 30, 1948, in South Roxana, IL, the daughter of Loren Cuthrell and Virginia Keller.

On Saturday, July 23, 1966, she married Neal J. Rieke, Jr. at St. Paul Catholic Church, Highland, IL, who passed away on Monday, December 18, 2023.

She was a member of St. Paul Catholic Church and an active member of the Hooker's Club (a crocheting group).

Rosemary worked as a CNA for many years at area nursing homes before becoming a stay-at-home grandma. Grandma Rose devoted her time to making handmade ornaments for each of her grandkids. She also enjoyed crocheting, fishing, playing cards and family time. She and her husband loved to travel. Rosemary adored angels, Barbie dolls, country music and Elvis. With a very outgoing personality and a beautiful soul, Rosemary would give you her last dime or the shirt off her back. She was known as a strong, caring woman.

Survivors include:

Daughter - Virginia "GeeGee" G. (Fiancé Shawn Dixon) Strawn, Pocahontas, IL

Daughter - Angela R. (Mark) Pussehl, West Plains, MO

Daughter - Crystal D. (Gerald) McCray, Greenville, IL

Daughter - Elizabeth R. (Samuel) Tebbe, Highland, IL

Son - Neal J. (Gina) Rieke, III, Highland, IL

Brother - Lowell (Debbie) Cuthrell, Eaton, CO

Brother - Robert (Donna) Cuthrell, Williamsport, IN

Sister - Linda (Dale) Simmons, Kell, IL

Sister - Virginia (Richard) Heinz, Sorento, IL

Grandchild - Thomas (Michelle) Rieke

Grandchild - Jonathon (Alexis) Strawn

Grandchild - Cassandra Rieke

Grandchild - Ciara (Israel) Belmonte

Grandchild - Megan (Aaron) Zobrist

Grandchild - Shelbi McCray

Grandchild - Gerald "JR" McCray

Grandchild - Alexander Price

Grandchild - Jaxton Tebbe

Grandchild - Anthony Blakeney

Grandchild - Clayton Rieke

Grandchild - Adam Rieke

Grandchild - Harley Lightle

Great Grandchild - Charlotte Strawn

Great Grandchild - Kayden Suh

Great Grandchild - Mythias Strawn

Great Grandchild - Naomi Rieke

Great Grandchild - Esther Rieke

Great Grandchild - Asher Zobrist

Great Grandchild - Abigail (twin) Rieke

Great Grandchild - Hannah (twin) Rieke

Great Grandchild - Malakai Belmonte

Brother-In-Law - Russell R. (Nancy) Rieke, Sr., Highland, IL

She was preceded in death by:

Husband - Neal J. Rieke, Jr.

Father - Loren R. Cuthrell

Mother - Virginia L. Keller

Sister - Priscilla M. Plocher

Son-In-Law - James R. Strawn, Jr.

Sister-In-Law - Alice R. Ratermann

Brother-In-Law - John Ratermann

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 Thursday, March 20, 2025, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM on Friday, March 21, 2025, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral Service will be at 2:00 PM on Friday, March 21, 2025, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL, with Rev. Mary Ann Lawrence, Vitas Hospice Chaplin, officiating.

Interment will be at Highland City Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hitz Memorial Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 20. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - Highland
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Tribute Wall



“ *Daisy, Hope, Kelsey, Kendra, and Marissa purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Rosemary A. Rieke.* ”



Daisy, Hope, Kelsey, Kendra, and Marissa - March 20, 2025 at 12:52 PM



“ *Written in the Stars was purchased for the family of Rosemary A. Rieke.* ”



March 19, 2025 at 10:45 PM



“ *Sending heart felt prayers of God's infinite peace love and comfort to flood over miss Rosemary's family! From the family of her roommate V. Geraldine's family.* ”



Felicia Blanton - March 19, 2025 at 08:12 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Rosemary A. Rieke.* ”



March 19, 2025 at 05:49 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Rosemary A. Rieke.*



March 19, 2025 at 04:00 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rosemary A. Rieke.

March 19, 2025 at 03:32 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rosemary A. Rieke.*



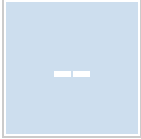
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“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Rosemary A. Rieke.*



March 19, 2025 at 02:07 PM



“ -- *purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Rosemary A. Rieke.*



-- - March 19, 2025 at 12:58 PM



“ *Sending sincere sympathy to her family 🙏 God Bless 🙏*

Bob & Beckie Schrumpf - March 18, 2025 at 07:00 PM