



## Ruth E. Mersinger

April 16, 1932 - June 1, 2024

Ruth E. Mersinger, age 92 of Highland, IL, died Saturday, June 1, 2024, at her residence in Highland, IL.

She was born on Saturday, April 16, 1932, in Highland, IL, the daughter of Edmund and Bertha (nee Petry) Koch.

On Saturday, November 25, 1950, she married Donald J. Mersinger, who passed away on May 25, 2014.

She was a member of St. Paul Catholic Church. She was also a member of St. Anna Altar Sodality (President - 2 terms); CCD Group; and Weekly Prayer Group.

Mrs. Mersinger was born and raised in Highland, IL. She graduated from St. Paul High School in 1950. After graduation she worked at the A & P Store and Lory Theater for a brief period of time. After their marriage, the Mersingers' moved to the family farm northwest of Highland on the hill. She raised her family on the hill. Ruth was a very active person. She prayed the Rosary every day, tended her large garden (canning much of the produce) and found time to sew. As a seamstress, she not only made dresses for her daughters, but also taught them to sew. As a quilter, she made all the children and grandchildren quilts. Ruth bowled in a mix league at High-Top Bowl with her husband every

week. She enjoyed completing puzzles and doing word searches. Her devotion to her faith was awesome. She served two terms as President of the Altar Sodality and met with a weekly prayer group.

Survivors include:

Son - Glenn P. (Shirley) Mersinger, Apex, NC  
Daughter - Nancy A. (Don) Jolly, Carmel, IN  
Son - Wayne A. (Betty) Mersinger, Loogootee, IN  
Daughter - Julie M. (Bob) Hammer, Highland, IL  
Daughter - Brenda L. (Jay) Simon, Alexandria, VA  
Daughter - Amy S. (Randy) Roser, Bloomington, IL  
Grandchild - Jennifer L. (Jason) Brown  
Grandchild - Robert P. (Erin) Hammer, IL  
Grandchild - Kristy N. Mersinger  
Grandchild - Matthew R. Hammer  
Grandchild - Michael P. (Kathryn) Jolly  
Grandchild - James Steven Mersinger  
Grandchild - Catherine M. Hammer  
Grandchild - Lauren E. (Troy) Hawkins  
Grandchild - Timothy A. (Karen) Mersinger  
Grandchild - Jeffrey S. (Naomi) Mersinger  
Grandchild - Kathryn A. (Josh) Pottschmidt  
Grandchild - Aurelie Alexandra  
Grandchild - Elliot T. Simon  
Grandchild - Paige A. Roser  
Grandchild - Miranda J. Roser  
Great Grandchild - Jocelyn Brown  
Great Grandchild - Jonathan Brown  
Great Grandchild - Benjamin Hawkins  
Great Grandchild - Addison Hammer  
Great Grandchild - Grace Hammer

Great Grandchild - Charlie Hammer  
Great Grandchild - Emma Hawkins  
Great Grandchild - Clara Hawkins  
Great Grandchild - Jameson Brown  
Great Grandchild - Evelyn Mersinger  
Great Grandchild - Harrison Mersinger  
Great Grandchild - Mia Mersinger  
Great Grandchild - Adam Mersinger  
Great Grandchild - James Pottschmidt  
Sister - Mary Lou Rozum, Highland, IL  
Sister - Sister Ann Koch, SSND, Saint Louis, MO  
Brother - Ralph J. (Carol) Koch, Noblesville, IN  
Sister-In-Law - Gail McGee, Highland, IL

She was preceded in death by:

Father - Edmund J. Koch - Died 3/02/1989  
Mother - Bertha C. Koch, nee Petry - Died 9/27/2002  
Husband - Donald J. Mersinger - Died 5/25/2014  
Son - James A. Mersinger - Died 1962 Infant

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

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Friday, June 7, 2024, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 8:00 AM to 8:45 AM on Saturday, June 8, 2024, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral Mass will be at 9:00 AM on Saturday, June 8, 2024, at St. Paul Catholic Church in Highland, IL., with Rev. Father Pat G. Jakel, Pastor,

Highland, IL officiating.

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

Memorial contributions may be made to School Sisters of Norte Dame; St. Vincent dePaul Society; St. Paul Catholic Church (Breathe in the Spirit Fund); or Masses.

# Cemetery Details

## **Saint Joseph Catholic Cemetery**

Michael Road  
Highland, IL 62249

# Tribute Wall



“ Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home & Dauderman Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruth E. Mersinger



Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - June 05, 2024 at 07:06 PM

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“ The Bonser family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Ruth E. Mersinger.



The Bonser family - June 06, 2024 at 10:37 PM

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“ The Bonser family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth E. Mersinger.

The Bonser family - June 06, 2024 at 10:37 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ruth E. Mersinger.



June 06, 2024 at 10:07 PM



“ Robin McGee planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ruth E. Mersinger.

Robin McGee - June 06, 2024 at 10:07 PM



“ 12 files added to the album LifeTributes



Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - June 06, 2024 at 10:05 AM



“ 42 files added to the album LifeTributes



Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home - June 05, 2024 at 03:03 PM

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“ Travis & Lindsay (Sokol) Christman purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ruth E. Mersinger.



Travis & Lindsay (Sokol) Christman - June 05, 2024 at 10:49 AM

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“ 1 file added to the album Brenda's pictures



brenda siimon - June 05, 2024 at 10:24 AM

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“ Rita RINDERER lit a candle in memory of Ruth Mersinger



Rita RINDERER - June 04, 2024 at 11:28 PM

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“ the Kerley/Botarf families purchased the Simply E legant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ruth E. Mersinger.



the Kerley/Botarf families - June 04, 2024 at 05:36 PM

DL

“ *My name is Darla. I worked for Visiting Angels. I visited Ruth twice a week. I enjoyed our conversations. She loved her family and talked about them often. I'm glad I was able to spend time with her. She will be missed.*

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**Darla Lancey** - June 04, 2024 at 05:27 PM

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“ *Brian and Melanie McGee and Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ruth E. Mersinger.*



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**Brian and Melanie McGee and Family** - June 04, 2024 at 02:56 PM