



Ruth Nungesser

September 29, 1919 - March 11, 2017

Ruth Nungesser, age 97 of Highland, IL, died Saturday, March 11, 2017, at Alhambra Care Center in Alhambra, IL.

She was born September 29, 1919, in Highland, IL, the daughter of Irvin and Goldie Irene (nee Prewitt) Reinhart.

On April 11, 1939, she married Cletus "Zip" Joseph Nungesser at Grantfork E & R Church. He passed away on Thursday, March 21, 1985.

She was a member of Grantfork United Church of Christ. She was also a member of Grantfork UCC Women's Guild; Madison County Fair Assoc.; Secretary of Monday Afternoon Ladies Bowling League at HiTop Bowl; Secretary of Friday Night Men's Bowling League at Grantfork Bowl; Madison County Farm Bureau.

Ruth was born in Highland and grew up on the family farm northwest of Silver Lake. She graduated Highland High School. Following her marriage, she and her husband operated the Reinhart family farm raising grain, dairy, and livestock. She lived her entire life on the farm until moving to Faith Countryside Homes in early 2010. She moved to Alhambra Care Center in 2016. She played softball in an "Over 40 league" for many years. She had bowled until the age of 90+, and was inducted into the Greater Carlyle

Bowling Hall of Fame in 2014. She enjoyed riding her 170 Honda Motorcycle, into her mid 80's. She rode a bicycle and walked every day. She was a long time Secretary during Madison County Fair and had a "ZEST" for life.

Survivors include:

Son - Randy I. (Lori) Nungesser, Highland, IL

Grandchild - Lindsey J. (Tyler) Emrich, Greenville, IL

Grandchild - Jordan C. (Special Friend Ashley Duzac) Nungesser, Kenner, LA

She was preceded in death by:

Father - Irvin Julius Reinhart [DOD-5/19/87]

Mother - Goldie Irene Reinhart nee Prewitt [DOD-1/1/89]

Husband - Cletus "Zip" Joseph Nungesser [DOD-3/21/85]

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

A private Memorial Service will be held at a later date at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL., with Rev. Tim A. Darmour-Paul, officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grantfork United Church of Christ or Highland High School Bowling Team.

Tribute Wall

BK

“ Randy & Lori, our deepest sympathy in the lost of your mother! She was a fun & kind lady who enjoyed life. I can remember her love for bowling and could she ever bowl! Also, I enjoy the time playing cards with her especially bridge, we had a lot of laughs! She will always be in your hearts, knowing she loved you all!

She is at peace and with all her loved ones & friends in heaven.

Pat & Barb Kennedy

Barbara Kennedy - March 16, 2017 at 10:22 AM

BB

“ My siblings and I have many family memories of Ruth. Ruth was the aunt who was always ready to sit down and play whatever game was on the table, was always the coach of every softball game, always made the best rolls, and would always laugh at all our jokes. However, I believe what we learned best from Ruth was the lesson on "how to enjoy life". Ruth lived life to it's fullest- she enjoyed people - God's beautiful creation and most importantly her son, Randy. 97 years of a life well lived:, we should all be so fortunate. Rest in peace.

Beverly Boeschen - March 16, 2017 at 07:32 AM

MS

“ My Sympathies I'm So Sorry lit a candle in memory of Ruth Nungesser



My Sympathies I'm so sorry - March 15, 2017 at 11:01 PM

DN

“ Darrel Nungesser purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Ruth Nungesser.



Darrel Nungesser - March 14, 2017 at 09:50 PM

DR

“ Ruth was a most delightful and energetic individual! She was proud of her family to say the least. I always felt privileged and cherished the moments when she shared many wonderful stories of her childhood, her family and her love of her participation in softball and bowling. We always had great laughs together and she often made me feel better as I attempted to assist her with her physical difficulties. A very special lady!
Jim Rehberger

Dr James Rehberget - March 13, 2017 at 05:34 PM

 Denise Getz

“ Such a wonderful, kind caring lady, a joy to many! Never forget her sitting and talking to me and my mom at Faith! God bless! Peggy Walker & Denise Getz

Denise Getz - March 13, 2017 at 12:31 AM

DH

“ Randy and Lori, we are so sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. She was a wonderful lady and always so full of energy. Please know that our thoughts are with you.

Dave and Diane Heim

diane heim - March 12, 2017 at 02:07 PM

LS

“ *Ruth & her Mom Goldie were so much fun to be with at Grantfork Bowl, bowling tournaments, Grantfork UCC, and fair events. Great memories & laughs!! Our sympathy to the family. Earl/Lori Stocker*

Lori Stocker - March 12, 2017 at 01:54 PM

PL

“ *RIP my friend. Prayers for the family and many friends. We had some really good bowling times and you taught us all alot about the sport that you loved. Now you can bowl with all our friends who preceded you.*

Pam Ulrich Lecerf

Pam Ulrich Lecerf - March 12, 2017 at 12:34 PM