



Anita Rex

June 2, 1939 - March 27, 2012

Anita C. Rex, age 72, of Dixon, died Tuesday March 27, 2012 at Sterling Pavilion. She was born June 2, 1939 in Amboy the daughter of Charles and Mary (Lipps) Rex. She was a graduate of the St. Anthony School of Nursing in Rockford and received her Bachelor's degree from Alverno College in Milwaukee, WI. She had served in the U.S Navy for 21 years as a registered nurse retiring with the rank of Commander in 1988. Anita served on the USS Repose hospital ship in Vietnam during the war. She had also worked at Dixon Health Care Center, KSB Hospital and St Anthony's Medical Center in Rockford. She was preceded in death by her parents, one sister Maryann Clark and one brother Charles Rex. She is survived by one sister Esther (Joseph) Tappainer of Mt Carroll and one brother Henry (Ima) Rex of Dixon, sister in law Dorothy Rex of Eldena, many nieces and nephews and special friend Capt. Ida Robinson. Funeral services will be on Friday March 30, 2012 beginning with a 10:00 prayer service in the Jones Funeral Home followed by a 10:30 AM Mass of Christian Burial at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dixon with the Rev. John Gow officiating. Burial will follow in St. Mary Cemetery in West Brooklyn with Military Graveside Honors by the Amboy American Legion. Visitation will be on Thursday March 29, 2012 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM in the Jones Funeral Home with the Rosary at 7:30 PM. In lieu of flowers a memorial has been established to St Mary School in Dixon.

Tribute Wall



“ *Anita Rex*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Anita Rex*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Esther and Henry*

It is impossible to put into words how I feel about my long friendship with Anita but you know the many things I would say. These words describe Anita, however, "The time is here to leave this life, I have done my best in the race, I have run the full distance and I have kept the faith." 2 Timothy 4:6b-7. Anita received many medals and personal recognition serving in the Navy Nurse Corps and this past week she received the "Medal of Freedom." Freedom from all the pain and suffering she had endured for such a long time. You will be deeply missed my friend.

Ida M Robinson - March 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *I love you more than words can say. I will never forget your individualism and love for the little things in life. You have taught me many things in my life, and I thank you for that. I hope I can be half the woman you were. Love you always.*

Coppertop - March 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ *Many years of dedicated faith and fellow nurse. Anita was loved by each member of the class. She lead by example, of what we nusres are all about*

anna marie (Regan) Hendricksen - March 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ *I will always have fond memories of the good times we had at the farm. I send a last salute for a friend, a good nurse, a Navy officer and a fellow mariner who has crossed the bar and rests in a safe harbor. Smooth Sailing*
Jack Grothe
Veteran USN, USMM

jack grothe - March 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

NA

“ *Hi Aunt Nita,*
We are surely going to miss you. At least you are not in anymore pain. We know you are in good hands now.

Mom & Uncle Henry, we are praying for you at this difficult time.

We love you all.

Nancy & Alan

Nancy & Alan - March 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ET

“ *God Bless you, Anita. You no longer have the pain you have been living with all these years. I love you and will truly miss you. You are so special. Tell Mother, Daddy, Maryann, Chuckie and my Jany we love them. Pray for us.*

Esther Tappainer - March 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Rex Family, You're in my thoughts and prayers. Anita will really be missed,
she was always special to the Robinson family.

Jessie Sale - March 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ Henry, Esther & family,

Sorry to hear of your loss. Anita was very caring and giving, always thinking of others. We felt she was part of the Robinson family. Heaven has gained another angel and we will miss her. Your family is in our prayers during this difficult time.

Robert & Barbara Groves - March 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ My deepest sympathy to the Rex family . I first met Anita when I was a student nurse at KSB Hospital 1963-66. I knew right away, that I wanted to be a nurse like her, she was such a good role model to aspiring student nurses. She shared and taught all of us, what it took to be a good nurse. . Later I would hear of her Navy experiences during the Viet Nam War and after retirement , her continued endeavors , to help those in need . She was a good friend to all who ever knew her...and will remembered with great respect and admiration. Cindy Boyenga

Cindy Boyenga - March 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ Sorry to hear about Anita. She always made me feel like part of the Rex family and we thought of her as our family as well. She will be missed by all who knew her, you all are in our thoughts.

Dennis & Angel Robinson - March 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ So sorry for your loss of Anita. She was a special lady and will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Karen Robinson Winkler - March 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM