



Rachel Alvina Kirk

January 11, 1932 - September 1, 2013

Rachel A. Kirk, 81, of Mount Morris, formerly of Dixon, died Sunday, September 1, 2013, at her home surrounded by her family.

Rae was born January 11, 1932, in Dixon, the daughter of Leslie and Rosalind (Knapp) Smith. She was preceded in death by her siblings, Leslie (Virginia) Smith, Roseann (Lyle) Heinzeroth, and Darlene (William) Cullen.

She married William Kirk on December 29, 1956, at St. Patrick's Church in Dixon. For the first ten years of their marriage Rae was an active military wife and mother. Upon William's retirement from the U.S. Air Force they returned to their beloved hometown to raise their family. Rae was a bookkeeper for several area businesses including Franklin Grove Nursing Home, Dixon Health Center, Dr. Crisham's Orthodontics, and The Finishing Touch. William preceded her in death on January 6, 2012.

Her children would call her the world's greatest mother and she would be quick to agree! She was the glue holding her family together and the main support behind all of her children's endeavors. Rae was happiest when her house was filled with the chaos of her family playing games, sharing food, and laughing with one another.

She will be missed by her children; William (Lori Schrupp) Kirk Jr. of Oregon, Karen (Gerald) Kaufman of Milledgeville, Kelly (Edward) Handschuh of Mount Morris, Daniel (Dee Valentino) Kirk of Rockford, and Patrick (Heather) Kirk of Byron, her grandchildren; Courtney Kirk, Katie McKay, Jon Kirk, Faith Morrison, Lee (Kelsy Hiyakumoto) Morrison, Kelsey Handschuh, Holly

Handschuh, Nick LaFiura, Alyse (Ronni) Daccardo, Sam LaFiura, Haley Kirk, Conar Kirk, Riley Kirk, Logan Kirk, and Ethan Kirk, her great-grandchildren; Whitney Kirk, Andon Taylor, Lilly Harriet, and Trinity Harriet; and beloved extended family members; Johnie Mudge, Leslie Smith, Sandra (John) Rountree, Christine (Doug) Ivins, Kay (Andrew) Yowell, Craig(Peggy) Cullen, Howard and Beth Schumacher, Lynette Kirk, Tanya Bowers, Ashley Frye, Sarah Moe, and many more too numerous to name.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, September 5, 2013, at 10:00 AM at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Mt Morris with Pastor Josh Ehrler officiating. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery in Dixon. Visitation will be on Wednesday, September 4, from 6:00 until 8:00 PM in the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon. A memorial has been established to Serenity Hospice and Home in Oregon.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood

416 S Dement Ave
Dixon, IL 61021

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 4. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Jones Funeral Home, Dixon
204 South Ottawa
Dixon, IL 61021
Ph: 815-288-2241
info@thejonesfh.com
<https://www.thejonesfh.com>

Service

SEP 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
308 E Brayton Rd.
Mt Morris, IL 61054
trinitymm@frontier.com
<http://www.trinitymm.net/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Rachel Alvina Kirk*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Rachel Alvina Kirk*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Karen & family, so sorry to hear of your loss. Please extend our sympathy to all your family. Will not be able to attend the service, but want you to know I am thinking of you at this time. It is not easy to lose a parent.*

*Sincerely
Nola Colwell*

Nola Colwell - September 04, 2013 at 11:52 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rachel Alvina Kirk.*



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