



Mrs. Ruth M. Hartley

June 24, 1931 - March 15, 2018

Hartley, Mrs. Ruth M.
Zilwaukee, Michigan

Beloved sister, mother and grandmother went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Thursday, March 15, 2018, at the age of 86. Ruth Marie Langschwager was born on June 24, 1931, in Zilwaukee, MI to the late Wesley and Adeline (Schmidt) Langschwager. She married Wesley Hartley on October 25, 1952, and he predeceased her in 2002.

The most important things in Ruth's life were her faith and her family. Ruth (Putz) grew up on her family farm in Zilwaukee, the city where she lived for her entire life. She worked at Draper Chevrolet and Saginaw Wood Products before staying at home with her daughters. Ruth's faith in Christ showed in every aspect of her life, from being active in her church, to showing kindness toward everyone she met. Anyone who came to visit her home would be offered food until they accepted, even if it was only a piece of peanut butter toast. Ruth was no mere grandma; she was Nunny, to many. She cherished spending time with her 10 o'clock scholar, baking molasses cookies and science experiments with her grandkids. Ruth was always happy to split a piece of pie over a cup coffee, but only half a cup. Now she rejoices in heaven with her Lord!

Surviving are her daughters and extra special son (in-law), Hannah (Jeffrey) Driscoll and Holly Hartley; grandchildren, RaeAnne (Steven) Besser, Tyler Driscoll and Jordan Driscoll; great-grandchildren, Wesley and Harrison Besser; sisters and brothers, (Ted) Clarence (June) Langschwager, Judy (Warren) Rutherford, Beverly Langschwager and Eileen Hartley; and many nieces and nephews as well as great-nieces and great-nephews. She was predeceased by her brothers and sisters, Donald (Judith) Langschwager and Jack Langschwager, Gerald Hartley, Boyd (Dick) Hartley, William (Ruth) Hartley, (Duane) Barbara Morse, and nephew James Langschwager.

The Celebration of Ruth's Life will be held 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 20, 2018, at the Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 5250 Mackinaw, Saginaw Twp. The Rev. Homer Mosely, Jr. will officiate with burial in Roselawn Memorial Gardens. Friends are welcome to visit the family at the Wakeman Funeral Home, 1218 N. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, on Monday from 2:00 to 8:00 p.m., then Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of her service at Gloria Dei. Memorial contributions may be given to Gloria Dei Lutheran Church or family wishes. Memories and sympathies of Ruth may be shared with the family on her memorial web page at WakemanFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Roselawn Memorial Gardens

950 N. Center Rd.
Saginaw, MI 48638

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc.
1218 N. Michigan Ave.
Saginaw, MI 48602
(989) 752-8531
wakemanfh@charter.net

Visitation

MAR 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
5252 Mackinaw Road
Saginaw, MI 48603

Funeral Service

MAR 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
5252 Mackinaw Road
Saginaw, MI 48603

Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Ruth M. Hartley*

September 13, 2022 at 05:01 PM



“ *Mrs. Ruth M. Hartley*

September 13, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ *I'm so sorry to hear about Ruth's passing. She was one of my dad's favorite cousins and one of my favorite people although I didn't get to see her very often. She was always a joy to be with on the rare occasions we spent time together. My thoughts are with you. Brent Schmidt*

Brent Schmidt - March 20, 2018 at 12:19 PM



“ *My favorite memory of "Aunt" Ruth will always be Halloweens spent in my mom's old neighborhood. We would quickly trick or treat in Carrollton, then have to hurry up to get to grandma and grandpa's house to do their neighborhood. We'd stop at grandma and grandpa's, then visit with Ted and June, and work our way to Aunt Judy and Aunt Ruth's house. It was always my favorite because they gave out full sized candy bars of the good stuff like Reese's peanut butter cups or Hersey's. I'll never forget how happy Aunt Ruth was to always see Daniel and I every Halloween, even if she hadn't seen us the rest of the year. She was such a sweet soul, and I know she's always going to be looking down on us.*

Jamie Casey - March 19, 2018 at 02:19 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ruth M. Hartley.*



March 19, 2018 at 11:57 AM



“ *Holly and family. I'm sorry for your loss. I know this is painful. My thoughts are with you every day. God Bless... Shanna Scott-Salmon (I work with Holly)*

Shanna Scott-Salmon - March 19, 2018 at 09:40 AM



“ *My Soul Lives On Blanket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ruth M. Hartley.*



March 18, 2018 at 01:23 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ruth M. Hartley.*



March 17, 2018 at 01:46 PM

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“ Rick, Heidi and Dave purchased the Sapphire Skies Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Ruth M. Hartley.



Rick, Heidi and Dave - March 17, 2018 at 01:42 PM

KE

“ She was a very sweet lady! Always gave me a hug every time she saw me! She will be missed.

Karen Ehrhardt - March 16, 2018 at 10:46 PM

PT

“ I will miss this Lady. She always had a smile and she was very special to me she was my Godmother and my cousin. Also Leola Johnson sends her love and will miss talking to her on the phone. She can't pay her respects she is in a assisted living home but she sends her Love to Judy and the family. Rest in Peace Dear Lady. We all Love you!

Patty Trombly - March 16, 2018 at 07:22 PM