



Rose Mary Wilkinson

January 12, 1949 - August 31, 2022

ROSE M. WILKINSON
NEW HARMONY, INDIANA

Rose Mary (Blank) Wilkinson, 73, passed away on August 31, 2022 at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was born in Olney Illinois, on January 12, 1949, the daughter of Theodore and Irene (Wagner) Blank. Rose worked as a waitress at the Red Geranium Restaurant in New Harmony, Indiana for 47 years. She was very active in the Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion in New Harmony Indiana for several years. She was also a member of the Kiwanis Club and volunteered for the New Harmony Food Bank. Rose served Our Lord at The Holy Angels Catholic Church for several years until it closed. Then she became a member of St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, in Poseyville, Indiana. She would also attend St. Stephens Episcopal and Johnson United Methodist churches in New Harmony, Indiana as well. Rose loved gardening, cooking, and, spending time with her family and friends.

Rose is survived by her son: Terry McCleave of Ridgway, Illinois; daughter: Tammy D. (William Thomas) Sellers of Mt. Vernon, Indiana; step son: John Eric (Martha) Wilkinson of New Harmony, Indiana; step daughters: Elizabeth (Mike) Stolz of St. Philip, Indiana and Julie (Mark) Offerman of Haubstadt, Indiana; sisters: Margaret Blank, New Harmony, Indiana, Theresa (John) Bowlby Olney Illinois; brother: Paul (Clare) Blank of Olney, Illinois. She is also

survived by 13 grandchildren: Casey (Chris) Prince, Gregory "Tony" (Nasoshia) McCleave, Ashley McCleave, Terrance (Ashley Williams) McCleave, Aaron (Raven Winters) McCleave, Stephen (Skye) Harrington, Colin Harrington, Nicholas Wilkinson, Molly (Jerry) Chastain, Jacob (Katie) Offerman, Maddy (Josh) Marx, Luke (Hannah) Stolz, Rachel (Rob) Cooper; 23 great grandchildren along with nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband of 36 years: John G. Wilkinson whom she dearly loved until his death in 2015. She was also preceded in death by a son: Tony J. McCleave; grandchildren: Brittany M. Harrington and Mathew J.A. Wilkinson; siblings: Robert Blank and Ruth Coan. Rose has touched many people's lives in the community of New Harmony Indiana and throughout Posey County and Illinois. She will be very much missed and those that knew Rose loved her dearly and have said "how blessed they have been to have had her in their lives".

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m., Friday, September 2, 2022 at the Roofless Church in New Harmony, Indiana, with burial in Stewartsville Cemetery.

Friends may call 3-7 p.m. at the Werry Funeral Home in New Harmony, Indiana.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Stewartsville Cemetery, c/o Debbie Briggler, 9240 Story Street, Poseyville, Indiana 47633.

Cemetery Details

Stewartsville Cemetery

4100 W Main Street
Poseyville, IN 47633

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 1. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Werry Funeral Homes, Inc. (New Harmony)
615 S Brewery
New Harmony, IN 47631
(812) 682-4261
werryfuneralhome@gmail.com

Service

SEP 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

The Roofless Church
508 North Street
New Harmony, IN 47631

Tribute Wall



“ *Rose Mary Wilkinson*

October 06, 2023 at 09:05 AM



“ *I also worked with Rose at the Red G. Just one summer as a college student 43 years ago, but Rose was such an angel to me that the memory still stands strong in my mind. we were reacquainted years later when she became part of St Francis parish in Poseyville. She was a beautiful person and a loving mentor, Tammy and Terry you were wonderfully blessed. Hold tight to the memories.*

Beth A Bender - October 13, 2022 at 10:01 PM



“ *So very sorry to hear about Rose, she was a friend to both Joe and myself. Our condolences to her family*

Joe and Judy Lamkin - September 01, 2022 at 10:54 PM



“ *I worked with Rose at the Red Geranium. She was a fun, kind, compassionate woman and whether she realized it or not, a great teacher in so many ways. Sending prayers to her family and friends for comfort and peace.*

Lisa Umbach - September 01, 2022 at 09:25 PM

LC

“ You don't know me but I remember Rose from the Red G very well. She was a lovely lady who always made everyone feel welcome and well cared for. You have my sympathy.

Linda Cleek, Evansville

Linda Cleek - September 01, 2022 at 08:28 PM

BT

“ Rose never failed to ask about my daughter when I saw her. They had worked together at the Red years earlier. Thinking of it now, she remembered everyone. When you think of all the people she met over the years, all the young people she worked with and the customers, she always made you feel special because she did remember you. A remarkable, kind woman that made our community a better place. Rest In Peace Rose, you will be missed.

Barb Tilford - September 01, 2022 at 07:11 PM

RG

“ my prayers and sympathy to family. Ruth Ann Hames Grebe

Ruth Ann Hames Grebe - September 01, 2022 at 03:16 PM

DE

“ So sorry to hear of Aunt Rose's passing. She was a wonderful person, so kind and caring. We will miss her so much. Condolences to the family. Debbie and Jim Eagleson

Debbie Eagleson - September 01, 2022 at 12:53 PM

JH

“ Rose was always the waitress we asked for when eating at the Red. She was always a joy and greeted us as friends. I still have and carry a small token - a penny with a cross stamped out of the middle. I think of it every time I see it, which is often. Jingle Igleheart Hagey

Jingle Igleheartt Hagey - September 01, 2022 at 12:04 PM

DN

“ I worked for several years with Rose at the Red Geranium in New Harmony. She always gave a warm welcome and a smile to everyone she came in contact with. So many memories! Rose you will be deeply miss! Enjoy your new life you earned it with your love for God and everyone you met!

Diane Newcomb - September 01, 2022 at 10:49 AM

MH

“ RoseMary was one of my favorite cousins to play with while visiting our grandparents. She was a little older (7 months) but we always had so much fun on the farm. I have thought about her so much, but lost track after we both moved away. She will always be on my heart . So sorry to her family, and my cousins Paul, Margaret and Theresa. Comfort and prayers for all. Marilyn Wagner Herbert

Marilyn Wagner Herbert - August 31, 2022 at 07:25 PM

AB

Rose Mary was a quiet classmate at Ste. Marie (IL) Grade School, but always pleasant and amiable. We rode the same bus together for all 8 years. Precious girl who obviously was a precious lady. So sorry for your loss. Glad she has left a legacy of kindness for her family to carry on. Ann Fisher Bare

ann bare - September 01, 2022 at 12:41 PM

JS

*Rose Mary was my grade school and high school classmate. Just a wonderful person - I liked her a lot.
Our 59th grade school Reunion is in 17 days- Sept 24, 2022. Rose Mary always came to our Reunions. I called her about 3 weeks ago to make sure she was coming. She told me she had cancer. But she was coming if she felt OK. Now she has died 3 weeks later.
My deepest sympathy to her family.
Janet Faltemier Sitkewich*

Janet Faltemier Sitkewich - September 05, 2022 at 02:26 PM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Rose Mary Wilkinson.*



August 31, 2022 at 06:38 PM

TB

“ *I will never forget my Aunt Rose! She was so loving and kind everytime we were together. She loved fiercely and fully! God definitely got an angel today. ❤️😭🌹*

Tina Barton - August 31, 2022 at 06:07 PM

AH

“ *Angie & Bill Hein purchased the Healing Tears - All Pink for the family of Rose Mary Wilkinson.*



Angie & Bill Hein - August 31, 2022 at 04:17 PM

RP

“ So sorry prayers to all of you

Ruth Parker - August 31, 2022 at 02:03 PM

RG

“ Terry, Tammy, A. Margaret, A. Teresa and family. Prayers for you peace of heart. I know it is not easy to say goodbye. She was such a sweet and caring woman. I am so sorry for the pain you all are in right now.

Robin Gipson - August 31, 2022 at 12:04 PM