



Ruth I West

October 6, 1924 - April 20, 2018

Ruth I. West, 93, of Kankakee and formerly of Bradley passed away Friday, April 20, 2018. She was born October 6, 1924 in Danville, IL to William R. and Helen (Dables) Wakeley. Ruth married W.E. (Gene) West June 20, 1943 in Danville, IL.

She was a loving homemaker and a member of the Women's Guild of Our Savior Lutheran Church. She enjoyed crocheting, knitting, crossword puzzles, fishing, golfing, cards and especially spending time with her family.

She is survived by 3 children; Carol (Tom) Januski of Prescott, AZ, William R. (Ruth) West of Bradley, IL and Marsha (Jerry) Casteel of Bradley. Also surviving are 5 grandchildren; Amy (Terry) O'Hara, Bill West Jr., Melissa (Casteel) Anton Poliakov, David (Ashley) Januski, Tim (Heather) Casteel, 8 great grand children; Erkia (Kyle) Smith, Kayli O'Hara, T.J. O'Hara, Abbey O'Hara, Daniel Januski, Matthew Januski, Henry Januski and Alex Poliakov, 2 great great grandchildren; Tate Smith and Natalie Tryban and a brother, Robert E. (Kathleen)Wakely.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents, and her husband.

The visitation will be 9 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, April 24, 2018 at Our Savior Lutheran Church. The funeral will follow at 11 am with Rev. Emily Sauer officiating. Burial will be at Kankakee Memorial Gardens. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley or the American Cancer Society. Please sign her online guestbook at www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Kankakee Memorial Gardens

15 South 3000 E. Rd.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 24. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Savior Lutheran Church
975 Brookmont Blvd
Bradley, IL 60915
(815) 932-1848

Funeral Service

APR 24. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth I West*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



“ *I always loved your mom ... I am going to miss her beautiful smile and playing Words With Friends with her. She is going to make a beautiful angel. God bless all of you..... and Godspeed Ruth. We would be there today but we're back babysitting and have a sick little one. Thinking if you.*

Karen and Gary Denoyer



Karen Denoyer - April 24, 2018 at 12:17 PM



“ *Diane E Clark lit a candle in memory of Ruth I West*



Diane E Clark - April 24, 2018 at 10:42 AM



“ *I have the most wonderful memories of my dear Aunt Ruth! Sending love to the whole family!*

Jenny

Jennifer Elliott - April 24, 2018 at 09:14 AM

DC

“ *Debbie Campbell lit a candle in memory of Ruth I West*



Debbie Campbell - April 23, 2018 at 10:19 PM

RO

“ *Roberta Olson lit a candle in memory of Ruth I West*



Roberta Olson - April 23, 2018 at 09:32 PM

DK

“ *Condolences to the West family. Prayers for comfort.*
Dawn Corlett Kingston

dawn kingston - April 22, 2018 at 02:14 PM

RL

“ *Remembering your wonderful mother and wishing you comfort .*
Dean and I send a big hug to the West Family .

Rhonda and Dean Lareau - April 21, 2018 at 02:47 PM

JS

“ May our Lord grant you peace and comfort in His promise of eternal life for all who know Jesus as their savior.

Ruth was a wonderful lady--and a pretty doggone good bowler, too. Representing Our Savior Lutheran Church, she, Dorothy Poff, Helen Warke, and I won the Thursday morning Women's Protestant Bowling League championship two years in a row back in the 1970's. The trophies we received the first year were impressive. The second year in a row, much less impressive. Helen and I went back to college (at Olivet) the following year--I think the rest of the Protestant ladies were happy that our winning team was broken up!

I bet Ruth and Gene (and my husband Bob) are bowling champs in Heaven now!

With my love and prayers,

Jan Schlak

Jan Schlak - April 21, 2018 at 11:43 AM

MB

“ *Sincere Condolences to all the family.
Jim & Mary Kay Beedle*

Mary Kay Beedle - April 20, 2018 at 08:12 PM

RM

“ *So sad to know our Aunt Ruth is gone, but joyful that she is in the presence of our Lord. God bless you all, Carol, Bill, and Marsha and families, love, Roberta and Tom*

roberta moak - April 20, 2018 at 07:46 PM

ES

“ Our prayers are with you all. I remember when she came to visit at your home and was able to be at our Bible Study. Such a beautiful lady. Love and Prayers, Elaine & Wayne...

Elaine Sampson - April 20, 2018 at 06:01 PM

WP

“ Immediately the 23rd Psalm came to my mind. “ And I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.” 🙏 Please accept my deepest sympathies for the loss of this extraordinary, loving, sweet Angel. Oh how Gonzo & I loved her ❤️. She is at peace at last. My Love to you all.

Wendy Ann Pera - April 20, 2018 at 04:16 PM