



Rita Agnes Kieffer

January 6, 1927 - May 23, 2017

Mineral Point – Rita Agnes Kieffer, age 90, of Mineral Point, passed away on Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at Upland Hills Health in Dodgeville.

She was born on January 6, 1927, the daughter of Edward and Catherine (Schmit) Kieffer. She was the youngest of four children. Her siblings were Edward, Mary Schmieder, Father Lawrence Kieffer.

In her early years she attended school in Mineral Point and later graduated high school in Dubuque, Iowa. She spent all of her years working in the health field including many years as an x-ray technician. After working in Wisconsin for several years, she went south to work in Oklahoma City and Houston, Texas where she attended the University of Houston. She really enjoyed working on the research side of the health field. She loved adventure and travel which included residency in Arizona and also Southern California.

Rita returned to Wisconsin in the late 70's and embraced living on her acreage in rural Mineral Point near the family homestead. She enjoyed time spent with her friends and acquaintances in Mineral Point and truly enjoyed her time spent at the Mineral Point Public Library. She believed in the value of sitting down to a good book and the value of continuous education. She could also be found enjoying a social hour in and around the Mineral Point area. Rita was a unique person and once you met her, you never forgot her.

Rita is survived by nieces and nephews of the Edward Kieffer and Mary Schmieder families; along with great nieces and nephews; great-great nieces and nephews and two great-great-great nieces. She is further survived by cousins from the Kieffer and Schmit families; along with many friends.

Rita was predeceased by her father, her mother, her brothers Edward and Lawrence, her sister Mary, her sister-in-law Melanie and many extended family members.

A Memorial Service will be held at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 3, 2017 at the GORGEN

FUNERAL HOME in Mineral Point. Fr. David Flanagan will officiate. Inurnment will be held in St. Mary's Cemetery. Friends may call from 10:00 a.m. until time of service on Saturday, June 3, 2017 at the GORGEN FUNERAL HOME.

The family wishes to thank Bloomfield Manor, Upland Hills Health, and the Mineral Point Rescue Squad for always being there for Rita in her time of need. And also many thanks to all her friends who helped her out over the years.

Tribute Wall

RW

“ RIP dear cousin. You lived a good long life your way, and I always enjoyed our conversations. You will be missed at the family gatherings.

Randy Weier - April 28, 2018 at 01:23 AM

MM

“ I met Rita many times over the years, and will always remembered her fondly as someone who was kind, extremely intelligent and independent. She show us all that you don't have to have a lot of money or material things to be happy. Whenever I went to family events, Rita was there. She was legendary!

Mary Matsuura - April 28, 2018 at 01:23 AM

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“ I remember Rita from my childhood in Mineral Point and have occasionally thought about her as an adult. My sympathies to her family.

Barbara Ramsden (Gross) - April 28, 2018 at 01:23 AM

LM

“ We lived in "interesting times" as Rita said more than once. My sympathy to your family on losing you - you were undoubtedly a delight and a challenge. You will live on in so many memories.

Linda Meek - April 28, 2018 at 01:23 AM

TB

“ I remember Rita from years back, she was a character.

Terry Barthel - April 28, 2018 at 01:23 AM

TG

“ What a beautiful picture. She was an amazing lady! Thoughts and prayers.

Tara Genthe - April 28, 2018 at 01:23 AM

JC

“ It is especially hard to say goodbye to a sharply unique person; Rita's like will not be repeated, I think. I respected her for her honesty, her forcefulness, and the recurring twinkle in her bright eyes. God Speed, Rita. Do it your way, where ever you find yourself!

Jude Clayton - April 28, 2018 at 01:23 AM