



# Rita Jane Wanstrath

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**R**ita Jane Wanstrath, age 86 of Batesville, died Tuesday, May 26, 2009, at University Hospital in Cincinnati, Ohio. Born April 5, 1923 in Oldenburg, Indiana, she is the daughter of Ida (Nee: Borchelt) and John Gehring. She married Norman "Pete" Wanstrath August 21, 1948 at Holy Family Church in Oldenburg. She was a homemaker and worked as a secretary for the Oldenburg Garage, Romweber's and the Batesville School Corporation before marrying. Raising a family of eight, Rita Jane was protective and dedicated to her family. She was an excellent cook and her family fondly remembers her pies and the certainty that there would be a fight for who would get the last piece. She enjoyed spending her quiet time painting, sewing, making crafts and working crossword puzzles. In later years, Rita Jane and Pete enjoyed traveling at home and abroad. Among some of their more memorable trips were visits to Austria, Germany and Hawaii. She is survived by her husband Pete; daughters Lu Ann Zeszut of Cincinnati; Jan Carlson of Ft. Myers Beach, Florida; Julie Jackson of Dayton, Ohio; sons Ken, Randy, Russ and Jim Wanstrath, all of Batesville; 14 grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. In addition to her parents, she is also preceded in death by her son Glenn; sisters Cleo Bowman, Normanda Cook, Mary Byrum, Martha Rapp, Edwina Scharfenberger and brother Leander Gehring. Visitation is Thursday, May 28th, from 4-7 p.m. at the funeral home. Funeral services are 10 a.m. Friday, May 29th, at St. Louis Church with Rev. Dennis Duvelius officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. The family requests memorials to the Parkinson Disease Foundation or Batesville E.M.S. 10.



## Tribute Wall

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SO

**Shawn And Vicky Brady Of Dayton, Ohio** posted:

Julie and Family, We just heard about your mother and are truly sorry. Our heart goes out to you and your family. We know how difficult it is to lose a mother. We pray that your mother's memories will soften through the support of friends and family. If you need anything, we are here for you.

June 1 at 8:00 PM

KD

**Kathy Of Dayton, Oh** posted:

Julie, We are very sorry to hear about your mother. We pray that you may find comfort in knowing she is at rest watching over you and all your family. Praying for you, Tom, Kathy and the kids.

May 27 at 8:00 PM

TT

**Ted Olinger Of Plano, Texas** posted:

To Uncle Pete and family, I'm very sorry for your loss and may God be with you during this difficult time. Unfortunately I will not be attending the services in person but wanted to tell you I will always cherish my memories of Aunt Jane, she was a sweet lady and a good Christian that has now found her peace with God. With Love, Ted Olinger

May 27 at 8:00 PM

CH

**Chris Fesen Of Hoboken, Nj** posted:

To Jan and Family- Many condolences to you and your family on your loss. May the love of those around you help you through the days ahead. Chris Fesen

May 27 at 8:00 PM

LM

**Leasa Day Of Metamora, In** posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with each one during this time of loss. May God grant you peace and comfort in the days to follow.

May 27 at 8:00 PM

DC

**Denny Cochran Of Crossville, Tn** posted:

Jim, you have my deepest sympathy with the loss of your mother.

May 27 at 8:00 PM



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TI

**Tony Koors Of Indianapolis** posted:

Very sorry for your loss. God Bless your family.

May 27 at 8:00 PM

Jl

**Jay Harpring Of Indianapolis, In** posted:

Julie, My deepest sympathy on the recent loss of your mother. I lost my father this month and know it is a very trying time. My prayers are with you and your family. From an old St. Louis school mate Jay

May 26 at 8:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Rita by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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