



# Ruth T. Kramer

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## **Ruth T. Kramer**

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**R**uth T. Kramer, age 95 of Batesville, died Saturday, December 30, 2017 at St. Andrew's Health Campus. Born January 16, 1922 in Batesville, she is the daughter of Olivia (Nee: Merkel) and Andrew Wintz. She married Harold Kramer May 13, 1944 at the St. Louis Parsonage and he preceded her in death September 23, 1980. Ruth worked 18 years as a dispatcher for the Batesville Police Department before retiring in 1995 and was a member of St. Louis Church.

A loving and devoted mother, she enjoyed spending time with her family. An excellent cook and baker, for years she cooked a big lunch every day for her sons that might include fried chicken or meat loaf with all the trimmings. She also had special treats at the ready for the grandkids when they'd come by. Her apple pies, poor man cakes, cinnamon rolls, noodles and grits will be sorely missed. The family teased that you'd often hear mom say, "Now wait just a minute", "What the Sam hell" and "Don't you dare." It was common to see Ruth out walking since she never learned to drive and could be found on her porch swing rain or shine. Other interests included bingo and cards. She was an avid 500 player and a member of several card clubs. Ruth also enjoyed bus trips with neighbors and friends. Among one of her favorite trips was a visit to Washington D.C. to see the cherry blossoms in bloom.

She is survived by her daughters Yolanda (Greg) Thayer of Osgood, Lisa (Danny) Knight of Carmi, Illinois, LeNita (Tony) Weberding of Batesville; sons Steve (Schere) of Guilford, Indiana, Ron (Jane) of Oldenburg, Mike (Deb) of Batesville; nineteen grandchildren; twenty four great grandchildren and one great great grandchild. In addition to her husband and parents, she is also preceded in death by sister Mary Grace Tebbe and brothers Francis, Clarence, Urban and infant August Wintz.



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Visitation is Wednesday, January 3rd, from 4 – 7 p.m. at the funeral home. Funeral services are 11 a.m. Thursday, January 4th at St. Louis Church with Rev. Stan Pondo officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery. The family requests memorials to St. Jude Children's Hospital.



## Tribute Wall

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JC

**John & Peggy Wintz Of Cincinnati** posted:

Condolences to the family of Ruth. I saw recently at the Thanksgiving Day dinner at St. Andrews. She was a bright inspiration and recognized me and called me "Johnny". In much younger days, I remember when she was Batesville's dispatcher. I thought that was pretty awesome to have a cousin dispatcher. I also saw her the many times that my dad visited Uncle Andy and Ruth was there. Rest in the Peace of the Lord, Ruth. John and Peggy

January 3 at 8:00 PM

RO

**Rita Hoelker Of Cincinnati, Ohio** posted:

Your mom and your family were close neighbors for a long, long time. Both of our mothers lived in their houses for their entire lives. That doesn't happen often anymore. I often think of your mom sitting on the front porch. I stopped in to visit a few times since my mom's been gone and your mother never seemed to age. I miss your family and the old neighborhood. God Bless you all. Wish I could have made it down to give you my sympathy in person.

January 2 at 8:00 PM

GC

**Gary Wintz Of Venice Beach, California** posted:

My deepest sympathy to all the family (my cousins). I remember Ruth's warmth, friendliness and good spirit at our Wintz family reunions of many years ago. My mom and dad, now long deceased, loved her so much too. Such a great loss to all family and friends. I am so sad.

January 1 at 8:00 PM

JB

**Jeni Moody Of Batesville** posted:

My deepest condolences in regard to your loss. I know she was a wonderful person and a GREAT MOM. You are in my prayers. Jeni

December 31 at 8:00 PM

MG

**Mary Hershberger Of Greenwood, In** posted:

I am truly sorry for your loss. She was a caring and loving aunt who dearly loved her family.

December 31 at 8:00 PM



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**Terry Zimmer Of Dover, Indiana** posted:

Our sincere sympathy to everyone. Terry and Connie Zimmer

December 30 at 8:00 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

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



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