



Rita B. Giesting

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Rita B. Grieshop Giesting, 93, of Batesville, Indiana, passed away Thursday, May 5, 2022. Born October 23, 1928, in Franklin County, Indiana, she is the daughter of Clem and Anna (Berkemeier) Raver.

She married Thomas W. Grieshop on October 23, 1948, at Holy Family Church and he preceded her in death on October 27, 1987. On March 12, 1994, she married Joseph F. Giesting; he preceded her in death on August 4, 2015.

Rita attended the one-room Placke School in Franklin County and was a 1946 graduate of Batesville High School, where she was a cheerleader rooting on the Bulldogs. She enjoyed keeping in contact with her classmates through annual class reunions in recent years.

She loved children. Rita served as a 4-H leader for the Brite Rays 4-H Club, as a room mother, and on the PTA. She enjoyed spending many hours with her grandchildren playing games and doing jigsaw puzzles. She encouraged everyone to always do their best, as her father had told her.

Rita was an excellent cook and baker and won numerous awards for her creations. She was known for her coffee cakes, desserts, and herb bread, which she would bake for family gatherings, bake sales, and her card club of over 50 years. She also enjoyed sewing and counted-cross stitch and donated numerous baked goods, crafts, and quilts to the Holy Family Church Picnic.

She is survived by her daughters, Lisa (John) Struewing of Batesville and Sandra (Layne) Cameron of Noblesville; eight grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her step-children, Thomas Giesting, Donald Giesting, Mary Pohlman, Elizabeth Giesting, Janet Lewis, and Julie Giesting; seven step-grandchildren; and four step great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents and Thomas and Joseph, she is also preceded in death by her sons, Timothy and Jeffrey Grieshop; brother Paul Raver; and sisters Irene Schutte, Dolores Walke, and Marjorie Yorn.



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Visitation will be Monday, May 9, from 4 - 7 p.m. at the funeral home. Funeral mass will be held Tuesday, May 10, at 10 a.m. at Holy Family Church with Rev. Carl Langenderfer OFM officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

The family requests memorials to Margaret Mary Health Hospice or Holy Family Church Stained Glass Window Restoration. Please join us in celebrating Rita's life by wearing bright spring colors.



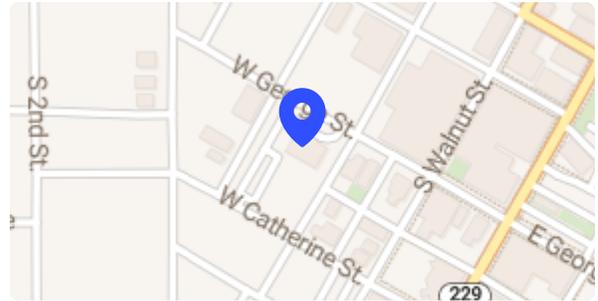
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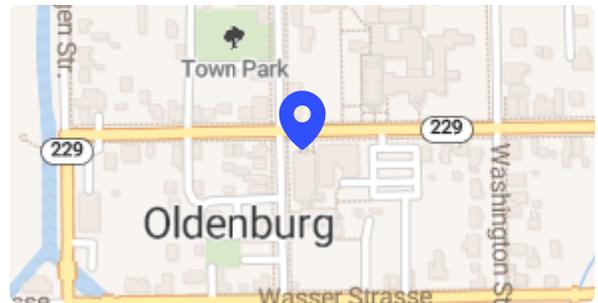
Visitation

- Monday**, May 9, 2022
- 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM ET
- Weigel Funeral Home**
151 W. George St., Batesville IN 47006



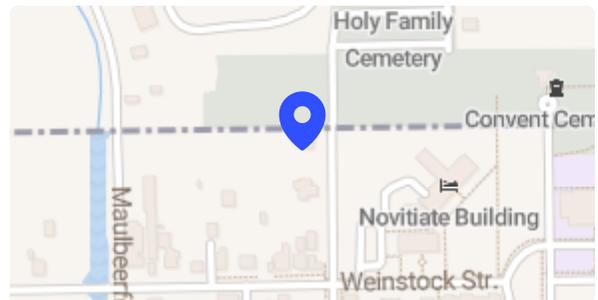
Service

- Tuesday**, May 10, 2022
- 10:00 AM ET
- Holy Family Church**
3027 Pearl Street, Oldenburg IN 47036



Cemetery Details

- Holy Family Cemetery**
3078 Pearl Street, Oldenburg IN 47036





Tribute Wall

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Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Giesting family.

May 9 at 10:52 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Giesting family.

May 9 at 9:40 AM



Anonymous sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the Giesting family.

May 9 at 3:47 AM



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From Carol And Jerry Joe Cameron sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Giesting family.

May 8 at 1:26 PM



Anonymous sent a Small Garden Dish to the Giesting family.

May 8 at 7:22 AM



Anonymous sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Giesting family.

May 8 at 7:15 AM





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LS

Louie Stephon posted:

I have known Rita since I started dating her granddaughter, Kelly (Grieshop) Stephon, in the year 2000. Her warm smile and personality was very inviting, and I always enjoyed my visit with her. Many years ago, I remember going out to her farmhouse and getting the truck stuck in the snow, she walked outside to check on me wearing her house slippers. She made a beautiful quilt for my son when he was born. Grandma Rita treated me like family since we first met.

May 7 at 12:17 PM

RR

Rose Richard posted:

We are so sorry for this loss in your family. Grandma Rita was always a smile in the room. We know she will be greatly missed. She was a blessing for all of you. Sending hugs and prayers of peace and comfort to you all. Our special hugs for Kara.Love Terry and Rose

May 7 at 7:54 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Giesting family.



May 7 at 7:48 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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