



## Mary Magdalen Berendes

May 17, 1936 - January 16, 2026

Mary Magdalen “Maggie” Berendes, 89, of Evansville, passed away peacefully at her home on Friday, January 16, 2026.

Maggie was born on May 17, 1936, in Evansville to the late George and Mary (Rheinhardt) Busch. She was a longtime member of St. Boniface Catholic Church and enjoyed cooking for family and friends, and baking, especially cookies at Christmas time. Maggie worked as an administrative assistant at Alcoa for over 45 years and along with her husband, owned Harmony House Liquors and Weslake.

Surviving Maggie are her son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Mary Berendes; sister, Georgia Huyette; brother, Robert Busch and grandchildren, Kenny and Brianna Berendes, Billy (Tara) Wayne and Brooke (Kyle) Grossman and six great grandchildren. Maggie is also survived by sisters-in-law, Joanie (Tom) Niemeier and Eileen Will; many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Maggie was preceded in death by her husband, Gerald Berendes in 1991 and by a brother-in-law, Jim Will, Sr.

There will be a Mass of Christian Burial held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at St. Boniface Catholic Church, Rev. Lowell Will officiating. Burial will take place in St. Joseph Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family from 10:00 AM until service time on Tuesday at St. Boniface Catholic Church, 418 N. Wabash Ave, Evansville, IN 47712.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

Condolences may be made online at [www.pierrefuneralhome.com](http://www.pierrefuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Dr  
Evansville, IN 47720-5964  
(812) 423-1356

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Boniface Catholic Church  
418 N, Wabash Avenue  
Evansville, IN

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *What a lady! Maggie was a ray of sunshine during her part-time sales stint at Coldwater Creek and I and other fellow workers there thoroughly enjoyed her Christmas cookies! May peace and comfort come to all of her family.*  
*Janis Hollingsworth*

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**Janis Hollingsworth** - January 20 at 01:24 PM

DH

“ *3 files added to the album Maggie at Alcoa*



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**Donna Herum** - January 19 at 12:33 PM

SS

*Maggie worked with my Dad George Baxter at Alcoa for many years. I'm sorry to hear of her passing.*

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**Stacey Schneider** - January 19 at 02:16 PM



“ *Maggie was like my SECOND MOM !! BRUCE !!*

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**Kim Reis** - January 18 at 10:28 AM