



Rafaela Lynn Hertel

October 23, 1959 - June 7, 2026

Rafaela Lynn Hertel, 66, of Evansville, passed away peacefully on Sunday, June 7, 2026, surrounded by her loving family.

Rafaela worked at Red Spot Paint and was a member of Local 227 United Food and Commercial Workers for 23 years. She was a spirited soul and loved music, especially Elvis and Patsy Cline. She was a sports fan and enjoyed watching basketball and football.

Surviving Rafaela are her four children; two daughters, Andrea (Ryan) Skeels and Elisabeth Hertel; two sons, Jesse Hertel and Jared (Madison) Hertel; seven grandchildren, Cecilia, Lawson, Jordy, Mila, Isla, Sophia, and Nola; her mother, Madel Crowe; siblings, Alicia Travis, James McKinley, Rose Padgett, and April Reynolds, as well as many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Terry Crowe.

Funeral services for Rafaela will be held at 4:00 PM on Sunday, June 14, 2026, at Pierre Funeral Home, Rev. Terry Gamblin officiating. Friends may visit with the family from 1:00 PM until service time on Sunday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W.

Franklin Street, Evansville, IN 47712 to help defray funeral expenses.

Condolences may be made online at www.pierrefuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 14. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pierre Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Rafaela Lynn Hertel*



Pierre Funeral Home - June 14 at 04:53 PM



“ *Pierre Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Rafaela Lynn Hertel*



Pierre Funeral Home - June 13 at 01:05 PM



“ 58 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pierre Funeral Home - June 13 at 01:01 PM



“ Deepest Faith was purchased for the family of Rafaela Lynn Hertel.



June 12 at 06:29 AM



“ I knew her from Baker or Columbia school. I often wondered where she was. She immersed me in her culture and always a beautiful smile. Prayers for her family.

Theresa Stiff - June 10 at 05:09 PM



“ I loved Rafaela very much. She was a very sweet and hardworking person. She and I both liked antiques, this world will miss her.

Love, Aunt Karen

Karen Scarlett - June 09 at 08:57 PM



“ Sweet Liberty was purchased for the family of Rafaela Lynn Hertel.



June 09 at 04:27 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rafaela Lynn Hertel.

June 09 at 04:27 PM



“ Such a sweet lady who lived her life gracefully and with a smile on her face always. RIP Raffi.

Adrienne Kittridge - June 09 at 01:05 PM



“ The Wolf Family purchased the Angel's Embrace Bouquet for the family of Rafaela Lynn Hertel.



The Wolf Family - June 09 at 05:31 AM



“ The Wolf Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rafaela Lynn Hertel.

The Wolf Family - June 09 at 05:31 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Rafaela Lynn Hertel.*



June 08 at 04:49 PM



“ *The McElroy Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Rafaela Lynn Hertel.*



The McElroy Family - June 08 at 04:44 PM