



## Rosalie M. Mesker

February 19, 1931 - October 6, 2024

Rosalie (Orth) Mesker, age 93, of Evansville, passed away on Sunday, October 6, 2024 at Solarbron Terrace.

Rosalie was born February 19, 1931, in Evansville to the late Anton and Frances (Heitzman) Orth. Rosalie was a life member of St. Agnes Catholic Church, now part of St. Boniface Parish. She was an active member of St. Agnes church's PTA, Alter Society, and quilters. Rosalie and Clarence were inducted into the Brute Society of the Diocese of Evansville for their service to the church.

Rosalie met her future husband, Clarence Mesker, at church, and they became life-long partners celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary on September 9, 2020. Their first date was to a dance and their love of dancing through the years delighted all as they glided gracefully across the dance floor as one.

Most of her life, Rosalie was a homemaker, raising four daughters, and helping on the family farm. She loved her gardens of flowers and vegetables; she was a great cook and had a passion for making beautiful quilts and sewing clothes for her daughters. She loved animals and children giving her time extensively to both causes.

Rosalie worked for the Purdue Extension Office coordinating the cultural exchange program with American 4-H participants and Japanese LABO students. She was an involved volunteer with the 4-H Fair, Farm Bureau, and Germania Maennerchor even hosting a German family during their stay in Evansville. Her volunteer work with the W.O.W. Red Hat Society brought joy to the three patients they sponsored at the Evansville State Hospital's Friend-to-Friend program. While volunteering with C.A.S.H., she worked as a reading tutor for the children at Westside Catholic School.

Surviving Rosalie are her three daughters, Betty (David) Cummings, Jane (Herb) Lovelace, and Donna Mesker; grandchildren, Kevin Cummings, Jessica (Bryan) Schulthies, Sarah Lovelace, and Mark (Malysa)Lovelace; four great grandchildren, Caroline and Sally Schulthies, and Penny and Violet Lovelace.

In addition to her parents, Rosalie was preceded in death by her husband of 70 years, Clarence Mesker in 2020; by a daughter, Rose Ann Mesker in 1973 and her sister, Martha Reising in 1972.

There will be a Mass of Christian Burial held at 10:00 AM on Thursday, October 10, 2024 at St. Agnes Catholic Church, Rev. Lowell Will officiating. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family from 4:00 until 7:00 PM on Wednesday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street and from 9:30 AM until service time on Thursday at St. Agnes Catholic Church, 1600 Glendale Ave.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or to St. Boniface Catholic Church, 1620 Glendale Ave, Evansville, IN 47712.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staffs of Solarbron and Heart to Heart Hospice for all of their kind and compassionate care.

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

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Drive  
Evansville, IN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **9**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home  
2601 West Franklin Street  
Evansville, IN 47712  
(812) 423-6471  
info@pierrefuneralhome.com  
<https://www.pierrefuneralhome.com>

## Visitation

OCT **10**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Agnes Catholic Church  
1600 Glendale Ave  
Evansville, IN

# Tribute Wall



“ *Pierre Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Rosalie M. Mesker*



**Pierre Funeral Home** - October 08, 2024 at 04:31 PM

VJ

“ *Betty and family. You have my deepest condolences on the loss of your Mother.*

**Vicki Johnston** - October 12, 2024 at 11:43 PM

BC

*Thank you, Vicki. It's good to hear from you and I appreciate you taking time to comment.*

**Betty Cummings** - October 28, 2024 at 11:52 AM

JJ

“ *Rosie always opened her door with a smile. She would listen and when I left I felt heard and encouraged. Rosie will be missed by all who knew her. God bless her family. Thank you for sharing her with me.*

**Jane Jett** - October 10, 2024 at 09:50 AM

BC

*Jane, mom always enjoyed talking with you also. Thank you.*

**Betty Cummings** - October 28, 2024 at 11:54 AM

JF

“ She was the sweetest lady who never met a stranger she will be truly be missed my heart goes out to the family and special prayers are with her family at this time glad to know she knew God we talked alot about this alot while I worked at solarbron love visiting her and having beautiful talk about life I will cherish the memories forever love you Mrs Rosie ❤️

Jackie foster - October 09, 2024 at 09:35 PM

AP

“ Donna and Family, So sorry to hear of the loss of your beloved mothet/grandmother. My thoughts and prayers are with you. - Angie Paul, Donna's co-worker at ESH



Angie Paul - October 09, 2024 at 03:25 PM

RR

“ Rick, Karen, Drew and Lilly Reising purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Rosalie M. Mesker.



Rick, Karen, Drew and Lilly Reising - October 09, 2024 at 09:44 AM

RR

“ Rick, Karen, Drew and Lilly Reising planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosalie M. Mesker.

Rick, Karen, Drew and Lilly Reising - October 09, 2024 at 09:44 AM

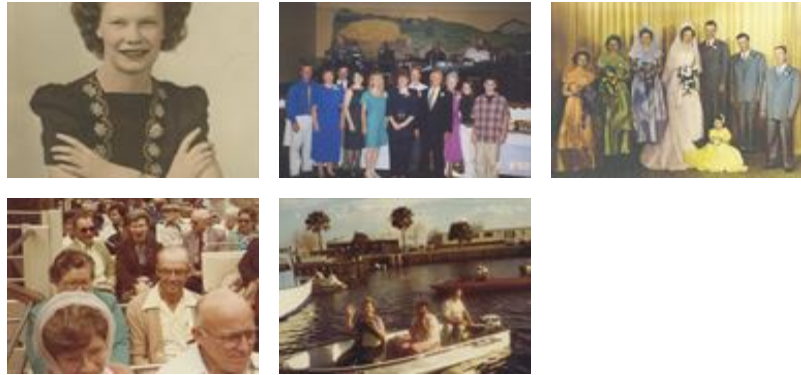
BM

“ Rosie always had that special smile for everyone. So sorry for your loss.

Bob Meyerholtz - October 08, 2024 at 01:38 PM



“ 22 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pierre Funeral Home - October 08, 2024 at 12:25 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rosalie M. Mesker.



October 08, 2024 at 12:03 PM

LH

“ Rosie was always a very friendly and positive lady. She always greeted me with a smile and a big hug. She will be greatly missed!

Leah Hoffman - October 08, 2024 at 12:01 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Rosalie M. Mesker.



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October 08, 2024 at 11:28 AM



“ *82 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Pierre Funeral Home** - October 08, 2024 at 10:26 AM

BH

“ We came to know Rosalie very shortly after my mother, Rose Weiss, was moved to Assisted Living at Solarbron. She immediately welcomed us to sit with her at the lunch table she sat at. We have considered her a friend ever since. She was a ray of sunshine, always smiling, joking around and loved talking with all the residents and visitors. My grandchildren from out of state came to visit my mother one day. They met Rosalie and they were instantly friends. I personally looked forward to seeing her every week when I visited my mother. I will miss her with all my heart. May you rest in peace Rosalie. We love you.



Brenda & Sam Hosick - October 08, 2024 at 08:58 AM

CP

“ We have been blessed to have Rosie in our lives. She will be missed. Our prayers and sympathy.

Chas and Diana Petranek - October 07, 2024 at 07:52 PM

KH

“ you loved me all of my life and i will love you the rest of mine. you were a one of a kind and the world was a better place because of you. you will never be forgotten aunt rosie! ❤️ karensue

karen sue hufnagel - October 07, 2024 at 06:53 PM