



Rose Mary Kercher

January 19, 1931 - February 3, 2021

Rose Mary Kercher, age 90, of Evansville, passed away on Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at her home surrounded by family.

Rose Mary was born January 19, 1931 to the late William and Catherine (Lenfert) Hausman. She was a 1949 graduate of FJ Reitz High School. Rose Mary worked in accounting all of her life, beginning with Schultze Lumber for ten years, Virginia Corporation/Chayes Virginia and Gamm Enterprises before retiring from Terry Voegel Construction in 2007.

Rose Mary married James Kenneth Kercher in 1958 at which time she transferred her church membership from Sacred Heart Catholic Church to St. Agnes Catholic Church. She played the organ at the Saturday evening Mass and for funerals for 40 years before retiring from that position in 2014. She was a member and past president of the St. Agnes Altar Society, St. Agnes Parish Council and a past member of the PTA at St. Agnes School. She, along with her husband, was inducted into the Brute` Society of the Diocese of Evansville for her service to the church in 1990.

Rose Mary was a member of the Vanderburgh County 4-H Center Board, the Fair Board and served as Rabbit Superintendent for the Vanderburgh County Fair for 40 years. She was the chairperson of the Spring Round Up for 12 years. She and Kenny received the Rural Urban Award for their volunteer

work with the 4-H Center in 1992. She was a member of the Farm Bureau and served as the Vanderburgh County Women Leader for 20 years until 2007.

Rose Mary enjoyed crocheting, sewing, embroidering, quilting and canning. She made many quilts for her family and for each of her grandchildren as wedding gifts. She also made many quilts for the 4-H Spring Round Up.

She and her family were noted for their annual Burgoo celebration each fall. Rose Mary invited friends, relatives and neighbors and there would be 150 people or more enjoying the event. She also hosted a Lenfert family reunion in 2014 with many family members attending.

Surviving are two daughters, Susie (Bret) Dill and Judy (Bob) Erkman; three sons, Daniel J. (Patricia) Kercher, Tom Kercher and Fred (Michelle) Kercher; grandchildren, Andrew (Kelly) Kercher, John (Krista) Kercher, Megan (Jimmy) Rowe, Brittany (Brian) Martin, Matthew Kercher, Emile Kercher, Brian (Aneili) Dill, Lisa (Jason) McEwen, Beth (Nolan) Schemel, Josh (Hillary) Erkman, Kendra Fisher and Jacob (Courtney) Kercher; thirteen great grandchildren, Logan, Taylor and Lilly Claspell, Kayden and Bridger Fisher, Owen Rowe, Avery and Isabella Schemel, Madelyn and Allison Dill, Sydney Kercher, Oliver Martin, Addilynn and Rosalie Kercher; two more great grandchildren expected later this year and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to her parents, Rose Mary was preceded in death by her husband of 60 years, James Kenneth Kercher in 2018; by a grandchild, T.J. Kercher; sisters, Emma (Norman) Robertson, Henrietta (Bill) Herrell, Dorothy (Alfred) Edmonds, Rita Mae (Wilby) Stumph and Betty Lee (Paul) Sitzman and by an infant brother, John Hausman.

There will be a Mass of Christian Burial held at 10:00 AM on Monday, February 8, 2021 at St. Agnes Catholic Church, Rev. John Brosmer officiating.

Burial will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family from 1:00 until 4:00 PM on Sunday and from 9:30 AM until service time on Monday at St. Agnes Church. Everyone who attends will be required to wear a mask and to keep proper social distance.

The Kercher family would like to extend a special thank you to Kindred Hospice and staff for the kind and compassionate care given to Rose Mary.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Boniface Parish or to the Vanderburgh County 4-H Center.

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

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Drive
Evansville, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 7. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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

Visitation

FEB 8. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Agnes Catholic Church
1600 Glendale Ave
Evansville, IN

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Tribute Wall



“ *Rose Mary Kercher*

January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ *Rose Mary was a very dear friend of mine. We worked together at Gamn. She would bring her quilt into work and we would quilt when we weren't busy. Fixed many meals on the wood stove we had in the office. I just talked to her for about an hour right after Christmas, so glad we had that chat.*

She will be missed. Our deepest sympathy, Jim and Dottie Kahre

Dottie Kahre - February 07, 2021 at 02:32 PM



“ *My sister and I were in the 4H for several years showing our rabbits. That's where I met Rose. She was very kind and always seemed to enjoy the days of the 4H. My prayers are with her family during this time of loss.*

Sara Claspell - February 06, 2021 at 07:42 AM



“ *Always talked with Rose and her husband at the grocery. What a find couple and role models to live your life. Prayers for the family*

Brian Branson - February 05, 2021 at 08:51 PM

RK

“ Rose Mary, you will be missed by those still on this earth more than you know. We both enjoyed working with you on the bereavement dinners at St Agnes--you were always in a hurry to finish so you could go over to church for the funeral--to see if you might be needed on the organ. Pray for us, please, so that we can join you and Kenneth and Jesus a little bit sooner than we would be without your prayers. We'll see you in a bit. Love you lots, Rosie and Susie Kuhn

Rose Kuhn - February 05, 2021 at 03:48 PM

SM

“ Our condolences to the family. A wonderful memory is the Lenfert family reunion she hosted. The love and hard work she did to make this happen was deeply appreciated by our family (Sharon Lenfert Monty). Will never forget meeting relatives that had only been names before. I loved making calls and getting calls after the reunion from her. She will be missed by me. Sending love & prayers to all the family.

Sharon Lenfert Monty, Bourbonnais, Illinois

Sharon Lenfert Monty - February 05, 2021 at 11:13 AM

WB

“ Heartfelled sorry for your loss.what a great lady,she will be remembered by many.Well done faithful serveant!!!

Warn and Noma Brizius - February 05, 2021 at 10:14 AM

KC

“ Mrs Kercher along with her husband was always great with my kids when they showed their rabbits.
Many prayers sent to the family..

Kimberly Claspell - February 05, 2021 at 02:00 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rose Mary Kercher.*



February 04, 2021 at 08:27 PM



“ *I would like to extend my deepest sympathy to the entire Kercher family.
I have missed your mother at 4:30 mass these past few weeks. She was always wearing that smile and having that kind look on her face when entering her pew.
Her dedication of being the organist at St. Agnes was something I will never forget. In her later years it became a struggle to climb the steps to reach the choir loft but she never complained. Her love for her faith and her church is something we all should strive to attain. She was an example to me and for that I will always be thankful.
I will miss her but know she is in a much better place and at peace with with her God and her husband. May she Rest In Peace and hopefully I will be blessed once again to see that sweet smile and kind demeanor.*

May your memories of your mom bring a smile to your face and a memory of her love that you will always carry in your heart.

*God Bless!
She will be missed!!
Bobby Wathen*

Bobby Wathen - February 04, 2021 at 03:01 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rose Mary Kercher.* ”



February 04, 2021 at 02:12 PM