



Ruth Louise Keegel

August 29, 1929 - October 17, 2020

Ruth Louise Keegel, age 91, of Albia, passed away on Saturday, October 17, 2020, at her home under the care of Care Initiatives Hospice.

Ruth was born on August 29, 1929, to Werner and Anna Marie (Carlsdaughter) Carlson at home in Mahaska County. She grew up attending country school. On October 27, 1951, she married Case Keegel in Albia. To this union, 4 children were born, Jim, Mike, Warner, and Carol. Ruth and Case shared 54 years of marriage prior to Case's passing on August 26, 2006.

Ruth was a homemaker, doing chores while Case was working, as well as helping him on the farm. She enjoyed reading and playing card games such as Casino and Rummy. Ruth loved spending time with her family and friends, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was very kind, loving, and generous. Her door was always open and she never knew a stranger.

Ruth is survived by 3 children, Jim Keegel, Warner (Sharon) Keegel, and Carol (Don) Reed; 13 grandchildren; and 21 great grandchildren. She is also survived by several nieces, nephews, cousins and good friends.

Ruth was preceded in death by her husband, Case Keegel; a son, Mike Keegel; a granddaughter, Casey Reece; her parents, Werner and Anna Marie

Carlson; 3 brothers, Carl, Harold, and Art; 5 sisters, Signe, Margaret, Violet, Agnes, and Elsie, and a daughter-in-law, Donna Keegel.

Visitation will be held from 3:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m, Tuesday, October 20, 2020, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Ruth's family present from 5:00-8:00 p.m. to greet family and friends. According to the rules put in place by the Iowa Department of Public Health, proper social distancing and reasonable personal protective equipment is advised for attending a religious public event.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, October 21, 2020, at the Tharp Funeral Home in Albia with Marty Williams officiating. Burial will follow services at Bethel Cemetery in rural Monroe County.

A memorial has been established to Care Initiatives Hospice.

Cemetery Details

Bethel Cemetery

Albia, IA

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **20**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home
116 Benton Ave.
Albia, IA 52531
(641) 932-3129
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

Funeral Service

OCT **21**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Louise Keegel*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Ruth Louise Keegel*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *She was a kind loving and caring Lady and their door was always open to anyone and they always expected whoever it was into the Family. Grandma had more Kids, Grandkids and & Great Grandkids then anyone I knew. I'm sure she's up there in heaven with her door always open and has more Family up there to.*



stacey Reed - October 22, 2020 at 12:35 PM



“ *She was simply Aunt Ruth and we knew we were loved and never judged.....she welcomed me into the family with open arms. Enjoy your visit with Case and Mike, I know you've missed them. Condolences to Jim, Werner, Sis and the grandkids.*

*Love and Hugs
Buzz & Bonnie*



Bonnie Beaning - October 20, 2020 at 06:23 PM

DH

“ *We are so sorry for the loss of such a great woman. The Keegel family has always held a special place in our hearts.*

Dan and Tabatha Hood - October 20, 2020 at 09:55 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ruth Louise Keegel.*



October 20, 2020 at 08:49 AM

JP

“ *Julie Pierschbacher lit a candle in memory of Ruth Louise Keegel*



Julie Pierschbacher - October 20, 2020 at 04:42 AM

IL

“ Irene Lathen lit a candle in memory of Ruth Louise Keegel



Irene Lathen - October 19, 2020 at 11:46 AM

LC

“ Linda Covey lit a candle in memory of Ruth Louise Keegel



Linda Covey - October 19, 2020 at 11:25 AM

KS

“ Kenny And Stephanie lit a candle in memory of Ruth Louise Keegel



Kenny and Stephanie - October 18, 2020 at 09:55 PM

RG

“ What a wonderful lady. I was named after her and so happy to have the honor. Rest in peace. Love Ruth Gent

Ruth Gent - October 18, 2020 at 09:32 PM

DA

“ *Denise Anderson lit a candle in memory of Ruth Louise Keegel*



Denise Anderson - October 18, 2020 at 06:54 PM

CS

“ *she was a sweetheart, always opened her home to everyone, thought and prayers are with all of the family. Cindy Schippers*

cindy schippers - October 18, 2020 at 05:30 PM

KH

“ *Kim & Jaci Hansen lit a candle in memory of Ruth Louise Keegel*



Kim & Jaci Hansen - October 18, 2020 at 03:41 PM