



Rachel E. Meadows

June 2, 1923 - June 16, 2009

Rachel Ellen Meadows of Mancelona and Kalkaska was received into the arms of her Savior Jesus Christ on June 16, 2009 at Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility of Bellaire. Rachel was born June 2, 1923 in Greenup, Kentucky to George and Effie Imel. She was one of eleven children. Rachel married her true love, Leonard S. Meadows, on December 18, 1940 in Alden. As a homemaker, caring for her family was her priority. She loved cooking, baking, picking berries, canning, and gardening. Later in life, Rachel enjoyed playing Bingo with her friends, and traveling to Florida during the winter. Rachel chose to continue her education at Kalkaska High School at age 60 and received her diploma in 1983. Her favorite subject was English. She wrote short stories for the school newspaper and enjoyed poetry. Rachel had a kind and generous spirit, making friends throughout her lifetime. She enjoyed her work at Shanty Creek Lodge and Schuss Mountain. She was a volunteer for the Jerry Lewis Telethon and gave to the St Josephs Children's Hospital and the Disabled Veterans of Foreign Wars USA faithfully for many years. Rachel was a member of the Antrim Church of Christ. Rachel is survived by her four loving children; Della (John T.) Bryan of Traverse City, Caroline Sue (Rodney) Aldrich of Clam Lake in Bellaire, Phil (JoEl) Meadows of Traverse City, and Al (Diane) Meadows of Traverse City; eight grandchildren, Tami (Jeff) Cleland, Kelly (Dan) Carroll, Brad Aldrich, Holly Aldrich, Janee' Meadows, Kalee Meadows, Tara Meadows, and Kyle (Kelly) Meadows; eight great-grandchildren, Ashleigh, Aric, Alex, Abby, Alyssa, Adam, and Allison Cleland

and Jake Carroll; her four sisters, Florida Gay of Grand Rapids, Betty (Pete) Webster of Mancelona, Roberta (Jack) Olds of Richardton, North Dakota, and Lois Garcia of Traverse City; special friends Rick, Cheryl, Rich and Ryan Shanahan; and many nieces and nephews. Preceding her in death was her loving husband Leonard; her parents George and Effie Imel; her two children; six siblings; and special friends, Adolph Stradinger, Richard Shanahan, as well as her close personal friend Thelma Root. Memorial services will be held on Saturday, June 27th at 11:00 am at the Antrim Church of Christ in Mancelona with Reverend Mark McCool officiating. Interment will follow at the Fairview Cemetery in Mancelona. Memorial donations may be directed to Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility in memory of Rachel E. Meadows for future needs to the Serenity Room. Rachel's family is so grateful to the Meadowbrook Medical Care Facility and Munson Hospital doctors and nursing staff for their loving and professional care of our mother. Condolences may be left online at www.wolfeoneill.com. Arrangements were made by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, our family serving yours.

Tribute Wall



“ *Rachel E. Meadows*

January 30, 2023 at 04:02 AM



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January 30, 2023 at 01:03 AM



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Thurman & Joyce McCarty of Mancelona, MI - July 04, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Della & family, We were saddened to read of your mom's passing. Mom's are so very precious to us. Bill and I think of you often. I also remember Tammi and Kelly very well from the 14th St. church. They were beautiful little girls. May our gracious Lord watch over you and your family at this time of your life. our love and prayers, Bill and Bettie Shaw*

Bill & Bettie Shaw of traverse City, Mi - June 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mrs. Bryan, I was saddened to read of your mother's passing. I will always remember the fond memories you shared with us about her. Thinking of you, and your family at this difficult time.*

Rachel (Richey) Russell of Kalkaska, Michigan - June 23, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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“ *To Rachel's loving family - You're all in our hearts and prayers during this sad time of your mom's passing. I always enjoyed Rachel's conversations when I visited with her at Meadowbrook. And always remember your great memories with her. Love, Michelle and George*

Michelle Reichenbacher of Lakes of the North, MI - June 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM