



## LaVerne E. Kerkman

May 31, 1930 - September 7, 2015

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RACINE-LaVerne Eunice (nee: Andersen) Kerkman, 85, was able to leave this earthly life for her eternal life as she had prayed for, in her home, on the property she had lived on for the past 78 years.

LaVerne spent her last day at her daughter Cathy's home for a reunion with all of her children and friends from Germany and throughout the U. S.

LaVerne was born in Racine on May 31, 1930, the daughter of the late Walter and Mary Andersen. She was united in marriage to Theodore Kerkman on April 26, 1952, who preceded her in death on October 26, 1994.

LaVerne and Theodore were blessed with four children, William Kerkman, Mary (Darrell) Bohn, Michael Kerkman and Catherine (Dan) VanKoningsveld.

She is also survived by six grandchildren, Deana (Dave) Gervais, Brian (Cathy) Kerkman, Alexis (Jacob) Aschauer, Sara and Elizabeth

VanKoningsveld and James Kerkman. LaVerne is also survived by two great-granddaughters, Tessa and Lydia, in addition to niece and goddaughter, Sharon Fenkl, and other nieces and nephews, relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by daughter-in-law, Marguerite Kerkman, brother, Richard Andersen, and sister, Rosemarie Christensen. She will be greatly missed by her family and especially her baby dog, Simba.

LaVerne's greatest pleasure was spending time with her family.

She was employed at Hamilton Beach, Mamco, Dremel Manufacturing and her last 20 years at O&H Bakery, where she retired from at the age of 75.

LaVerne was a longtime faithful member of First Reformed Church. After her retirement she volunteered at Wheaton Franciscan Health Care-All Saints and was an honorary member of the Harbor Lite Yacht Club.

LaVerne loved her Green Bay Packers, enjoyed NASCAR, traveling and sharing her stories with everyone. She was a great cook, baker and found great enjoyment in planning family parties.

Visitation will be held at Sturino Funeral Home on Friday, September 11, 2015 from 4-7 pm and will continue on Saturday at First Reformed Church, 7110 Old Spring Street from 9:30 am until service time at 10 am. with Rev. Cary Winn officiating.

In lieu of flowers, those wishing to remember LaVerne in a special way may direct memorials to First Reformed Church or Heartland Hospice.

The entire Kerkman family would like to extend a very special thank you to Heartland Hospice, especially to Rebecca, Kayla, Amber and Nancy. LaVerne loved your care and friendship.

# Cemetery Details

## West Lawn Memorial Park

9000 Washington Ave  
Racine, WI 53406

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 11. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sturino Funeral Home  
3014 Northwestern Avenue  
Racine, WI 53404  
(262) 632-4479  
info@sturinofuneralhome.com

## Visitation

SEP 12. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

First Reformed Church  
7110 Old Spring Street  
Racine, WI

# Tribute Wall



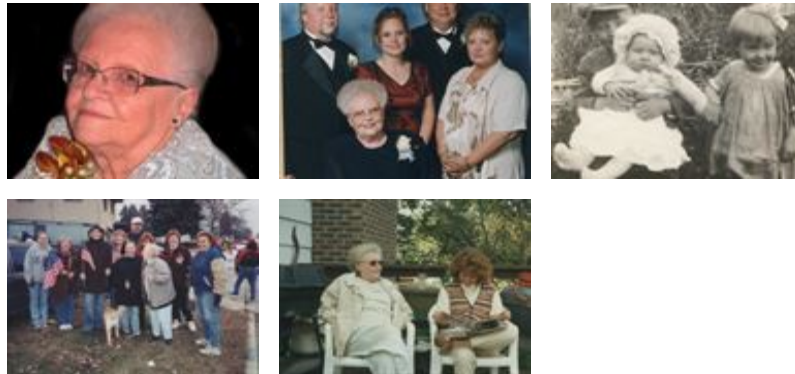
“ *Sturino Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of LaVerne E. Kerkman*



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**Sturino Funeral Home** - September 10, 2015 at 05:50 PM



“ *71 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Sturino Funeral Home** - September 10, 2015 at 05:11 PM

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“ *LaVerne was a Great Lady! I loved seeing her at HLYC. My deepest sympathies to her family.*

*Kat Kavaliauskas*

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**Kat Kavaliauskas** - September 10, 2015 at 08:04 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of LaVerne E. Kerkman.*



September 09, 2015 at 08:26 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of LaVerne E. Kerkman.*



September 09, 2015 at 06:35 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of LaVerne E. Kerkman.*



September 08, 2015 at 10:23 PM



“ *One of my favorite memories of LaVerne is picturing her and Ted dancing. I was so jealous of their dance moves! And her cooking, I think her ham and her pea salad were my favorites. She was a unique and fun loving lady. She welcomed me into the Kerkman family with open arms. Most importantly, she was a wonderful grandma to my children.*

**Ann Kerkman** - September 08, 2015 at 08:42 PM