



Ruth Ann Kuiper

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MT. PLEASANT – Ruth Ann Kuiper, age 95, left this earthly world peacefully at home on Wednesday, May 22, 2019, to be with her Lord and Heavenly Savior. Ruth was born in Franksville, WI, to Anton and Elsie (Schilstra) Osinga. She was the 10th of 12 Osinga children, having seven brothers and four sisters.

Ruth married Richard J. Kuiper of Franksville on May 10, 1946 in the Racine Christian Reformed Church. They recently celebrated their 73rd anniversary. The couple farmed for 45 years on Hwy. 20 and raised three children. In 1993, they moved to a new home and farmette nearby to enjoy their retirement years.

Ruth enjoyed playing softball during her late teens and early twenties. She, along with some co-workers, friends and relatives, joined the Oster factory team. Ruth was the pitcher, and in 1946, the team won the Racine City Tournament! She loved to watch “A League of Their Own” and reminisce about the days when women’s teams (like the Racine Belles) were popular while the men were at war. She was actively involved in her church spending several years as a GEMS counselor and many years in the Dorcas Society, helping with many church events. In her 60s and 70s, she enjoyed bowling with a group of ladies from church. Later in life, she and Richard traveled to Europe (Germany and Switzerland) and took a trip to the Netherlands with Ruth’s sisters, seeing some of the towns where their parents had immigrated

from.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents; brothers: Dowie, Peter, Jim, John, Art, Fred and Joe, and their spouses; sisters: Rose Nowak, Effie (Zimmerman) Wynkoop, Bertha Fiedler, and Ann Anderson and their spouses; brother-in-law, William Kuiper; sisters-in-law: Flossie Kuiper, Annette Kuiper, and Maggie Kuiper.

She is survived by her husband, Richard; children: Cyndi (Mike) Owens, Marcia (Ken) Brondyke, and Dennis Kuiper; grandsons: Jason and Kevin Owens, Philip (Stacy) Brondyke, and Glen (Noelle) Brondyke; great-grandchildren: Lauren and Anna Brondyke and Betsy and Will Brondyke; brothers-in-law: Henry (Pauline) Kuiper, John Kuiper, and Clarence (Marcella) Kuiper; and sister-in-law: Sharon Osinga.

Funeral services will be held at 11am on Wednesday, May 29, 2019 at the Racine Christian Reformed Church, 900 Illinois Street, Racine. Pastor Anson Veenstra will be officiating. Burial will follow at West Lawn Memorial Park, 9000 Washington Avenue.

Visitation will be held at the Racine Christian Reformed Church on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 from 4:30 to 6:30pm and at the church on Wednesday from 10 to 10:45am preceding the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the Racine Christian School Endowment Fund, 912 Virginia Street, Racine WI 53405.

Cemetery Details

West Lawn Memorial Park

9000 Washington Ave
Racine, WI 53406

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 28. 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

Racine Christian Reformed Church
900 Illinois Street
Racine, WI 53405

Visitation

MAY 29. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (CT)

Racine Christian Reformed Church
900 Illinois Street
Racine, WI 53405

Funeral Service

MAY 29. 11:00 AM (CT)

Racine Christian Reformed Church
900 Illinois Street
Racine, WI 53405

Tribute Wall



“ *Sturino Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruth Ann Kuiper*



Sturino Funeral Home - May 25, 2019 at 04:07 PM

SM

Auntie Ruth's memorial video

Shirley L Meldgaard-Vnuk - May 27, 2019 at 11:23 AM

DC

wonderful memories

Dawn Colvin - May 29, 2019 at 05:29 PM

KB

“ *Ruth was a wonderful, caring and loved woman. She showed kindness and love to everyone she met. I am glad I had the opportunity to know her. I remember when she let her hair go gray. My sons were young then. They did not recognize her with her new hair! My sympathy to her family. Kathy Bandstra (Hoffman)*

Kathy Bandstra - May 26, 2019 at 08:22 PM

CO

Kathy - thank-you for your kind words and shared memories. Mom enjoyed time with you and your boys too. Cyndi

Cyndi Owens - May 30, 2019 at 05:31 PM

NH

“ Dear Cyndi and Family,

Sending you the most heartfelt condolences on the passing of your mother.

I loved, loved, loved the beautiful video tribute!

I will pray for you and your family at this difficult time.

*With much sympathy,
Nancy Rohner Haddad*

Nancy R Haddad - May 26, 2019 at 03:29 PM

CO

Well hello old friend! Thank you for your kind words of sympathy. We were lucky to have Mom for so many years. Funeral service yesterday went very well and many of our cousins were able to attend so we could share time together. Cyndi

Cyndi Owens - May 30, 2019 at 05:28 PM