



## Arlene Rose Athmann

March 22, 1941 - September 12, 2020

Arlene Athmann – wife to Reuben, mother of five, grandmother of nine, and great-grandmother of three – bid us farewell on Saturday morning, September 12, peacefully passing away in her home, joining the angels in heaven. A woman who brought so much joy, guidance, laughter, and love, Arlene was the rock of her family and the spice in many people’s lives.

Services will be held on Friday, September 18, at St. Boniface Church in Cold Spring. Visitation will start at 9:30 am, with the memorial to follow at 11:30 am. Those attending the service must wear a mask and maintain social distancing. The service will be live streamed at [www.christcatholic.com](http://www.christcatholic.com).

Arlene Rose was born to Edmund and Christine (Van Drehle) Schoenberg on March 22, 1941 and grew up with her 10 brothers and sisters on the Schoenberg Family farm in Spring Hill. Married to Reuben on May 2, 1960, they moved to Cold Spring that same year and have lived in several homes in the community, including many that Reuben and Arlene built together. Throughout, Arlene lived with a spunk and a smile, and she was always ready for a song, especially when singing with Ruby, her family, and her sisters. She was a friend of many, too many to count. She was a nurse in Sauk Centre first, then a teacher’s aide at the Cold Spring Elementary School, a teller at the State Bank of Cold Spring, and more recently, a Home Care Aide; but her highest priority, always, was to her family. Outside of work, Arlene was a fierce

competitor at playing cards (never one to bargain with). She loved to read (sometimes reading as many as 5 to 7 books in a week). She enjoyed community plays and concerts, golfing, traveling with family and friends, and both softball and baseball games (especially when her kids and grandkids were playing). She served in many community-based and church roles including as a communion minister at St. Boniface Church, with the Christian Women, as a board member for the ROCORI Senior Center, and as an American Legion Auxiliary member.

Arlene is survived by her husband, Reuben; children Glen (Jen), Kim (Bret), Brian (Sheila), Kelly (Don), and Kerri (Juli); grandchildren Aaron, Kala, Neal, Kelsey, Paige, Austin and Alex; great-grandchildren Keagan, Mylah and Daxton; and many sisters, brothers, nieces, and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, her sister Marion, her two twin sisters (one who died at birth and the other who died in the early years of her life), her grandson Troy (1991), and her grandson Jake (2016).

In lieu of sending bouquets of flowers or other gifts, donations in Arlene's name may be made to the ROCORI Senior Center. To participate in the services, the family asks that you bring 2 to 3 stems of fresh-cut flowers. Also, the family would like to extend a special thank you to Courtney Stenger and to the nurses at CentraCare Hospice for the very kind and exceptional care they provided these past couple of months.

“So long, farewell Arlene ... auf wiedersehen, goodbye.” You will be forever our rose!

# Cemetery Details

## St. Boniface Parish Cemetery

Cold Spring, MN 56320

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 18. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Boniface Church Narthex  
501 Main Street  
Cold Spring, MN 56320

## Service

SEP 18. 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Boniface Catholic Church  
501 Main Street  
Cold Spring, MN 56320

# Tribute Wall



“ *Arlene Rose Athmann*

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January 29, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *Kerri and the entire Athmann family,*

*My memories of your mom are amazing- we were so lucky as kids and young adults in high school to have her as our other "mom" with our group of friends. I'm thinking of you today and in the coming months and holding you in my thoughts and prayers.*

*Lisa Eiden (Plantenberg)*

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**Lisa Eiden** - September 18, 2020 at 01:43 PM



“ *I remember Arlene and her sisters singing at her brother Ron and my wedding reception in Denver in 1982. I soon came to understand the importance of singing for the Schoenberg sisters! Thank you Arlene for welcoming me into your family. I'm grateful for the years of fun, the songs, and the love you shared with Ron, Nicholas, McKenna, and me. Bless you.*

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**Dani Newsum** - September 18, 2020 at 01:42 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. The great times we have spent with Arlene both in Minnesota and California are in our thoughts. She will be missed but always in our hearts as she joins her family and loved ones who have gone before. Thoughts and prayers from her Ca nieces - Love, Cheryl and Amy*

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**Cheryl** - September 17, 2020 at 03:04 PM

CW

“ *Thinking of all of you!*

*Connie Walz & Jim Gertken*

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**connie m walz** - September 16, 2020 at 09:47 PM

CN

“ *I had the privilege of working with Arlene at Cold Spring Elementary. We were partners in the classroom for many years. I saw her patience and grace working with students just like they were her own children. Her gracious smile was contagious and she was always ready for some good mischief which we had very often. I wish to extend my condolences to the entire Athmann family. What a role model she was to you and everyone that came to know her. She will be missed.*

*Connie Nuhring*

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**Connie Nuhring** - September 16, 2020 at 11:13 AM



“ *Love's Embrace Roses – Purple was purchased for the family of Arlene Rose Athmann.*



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September 16, 2020 at 06:32 AM

PR

“ Sending so much love and prayers to the family. Arlene was truly one of a kind, and even though we were only able to meet once in person, her light was so evident and her smile contagious. She was more than “Kala’s grandma” - she was home for the whole family. Her legacy will live on through all of her amazing and resilient family that carry her spirit and light. ❤️

Priscilla Rios - September 16, 2020 at 01:49 AM

WS

“ With Love from Robert & Scott purchased the Roses For Sympathy for the family of Arlene Rose Athmann.



With Love from Robert & Scott - September 15, 2020 at 11:56 PM

WS

“ Arlene was beautiful both on the inside & outside! We have fond memories of playing Euchre with Arlene and Jake in Florida the year that he passed on. Now they are partners telling each other to "pick it up!" Our thoughts are with the entire Athmann family.

With Love, Bob & Scott - September 15, 2020 at 11:39 PM

JH

“ My prayers are with you Arlene and your your family like I always told Jake and Alex when they were growing up see you in the Funnies!!

jeff Heim - September 15, 2020 at 09:20 PM

RL

“ My deepest sympathy to the family. Arlene was a good women. I had the pleasure of working with her at school and then later her son Brian. She raised him right. Good people. God bless the family.

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**Ruth Lang** - September 15, 2020 at 05:01 PM

JJ

“ “Dear Athmann Family” I got to know Arlene at CS Elementary. She always had a smile on her face and her laugh was the best. She was always very nice to me.  
My deepest sympathies and may God give you peace.  
Julene(Micke)Johnson

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**Julene Johnson** - September 15, 2020 at 04:05 PM

TI

“ Arlene was a like a second mom to me. We (Illies/Athman family) had many laughs together that will never be forgotten because of her. Thoughts and prayers go out to the Athmann family, and Arlene keep making us laugh up there in heaven.

*Tim Illies*

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**Tim J Illies** - September 15, 2020 at 03:24 PM