



Marie C. Erkens

March 20, 1935 - October 9, 2024

Mass of Christian Burial will be 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, October 16, 2024, at Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church in Rockville, MN for Marie C. Erkens who died Wednesday at Benedictine Living Community in Cold Spring, MN. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Rockville, MN.

Visitation will be from 4:00-7:00 p.m. Tuesday at the Wenner Funeral Home in Cold Spring. Visitation will continue 10:00-10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

Marie was born on March 20, 1935, in Richmond, MN to Norbert and Josephine (Holthaus) Dingmann. She married Gervase "Jerry" Erkens September 11, 1957, in St. Anthony Catholic Church, St. Cloud, MN.

Marie was a lifelong caregiver starting with her parents. She started Erkens Water Softener Service with Jerry. Marie loved family gatherings and being with others; she was a social butterfly. She enjoyed gardening and being outside. Marie was a member of Mary of the Immaculate Conception Church, the Christian Women, and Infant of Prague Mission Group.

Survivors include her children, Don (Becky), Laurie (Steve) Opatz, Joe (Suzanne), Jim (Lynn); 7 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Marie (+Richard) Dingmann.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jerry; brothers, Arnold (Dorothy) Dingmann, Richard Dingmann, Jim (Louise) Dingmann, Cletus (Jeanette) Dingmann, and Sylvester (Tina) Dingmann.

The family would like to give a special thank you to the staff at the Benedictine Living Community for the wonderful care of Marie.

Cemetery Details

Calvary

Rockville, MN 56369

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **15**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wenner Funeral Home - Cold Spring
600 Red River Ave. So.
Cold Spring, MN 56320

Visitation

OCT **16**. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (CT)

Mary of Immaculate Conception Church
113 Broadway St
Rockville, MN 56369

Mass

OCT **16**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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113 Broadway St
Rockville, MN 56369

Tribute Wall

HB

“ So sorry. We loved Marie, always full of stories and news. We didn't know she died or we would have been at her funeral. Our prayers are many for her.



Harold and Marilyn Brinkman - October 20, 2024 at 12:35 PM

TS

“ TERESA SZYMANSKI lit a candle in memory of Marie C. Erkens



TERESA SZYMANSKI - October 16, 2024 at 10:37 AM

TS

“ Joe and Suzanne, So sorry to hear about the loss of your mom. We will keep your family in our prayers during this time of celebrating Marie.
The Szymanski Family

TERESA SZYMANSKI - October 16, 2024 at 10:37 AM

CF

“ Clarence & Teresa Erkens Family purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Marie C. Erkens.



Clarence & Teresa Erkens Family - October 14, 2024 at 07:24 PM

CF

“ Clarence & Teresa Erkens Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marie C. Erkens.

Clarence & Teresa Erkens Family - October 14, 2024 at 07:24 PM

JM

“ To Joe and Suzanne and family sorry for your loss. She is forever in your heart. Joan and Merle.

Joan and Merle - October 11, 2024 at 09:27 PM

JB

“ Our sympathy on Marie's passing. It's hard to believe but I knew her and Jerry for over 44 years. God bless her memory!

Jeff & Marlene Bertram - October 11, 2024 at 10:14 AM