



Ruth E. Svihel

December 14, 1938 - October 5, 2020

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 10, 2020 at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Cold Spring, MN for Ruth E. Svihel age 81, who died Monday at St. Benedict's Center after a battle with Alzheimer's. Inurnment will be in the parish cemetery. Those attending the service must maintain social distancing and wear a mask. For those unable to attend the service, it will be live streamed at www.christcatholic.com.

A visitation will be after 9:00 a.m. in the church narthex.

Ruth was born on December 14, 1938 in Minneapolis to Clarence and Henrietta (Waldorf) Wicklund. She married Lloyd Svihel on August 17, 1957 in Holy Angels Catholic Church, St. Cloud, MN. Ruth was a homemaker and caregiver to many. Her talents include seamstress, gardening, cooking, baking and she loved to create. Ruth was also a phenomenal 500 card player.

She is survived by her husband, Lloyd; children, Mark (Lesley), Julie (John) Ficker, Lori Wirtzfeld (David Doth), Jill (Randy) Ficker, Bob, Melissa (Jesse) Philippi; siblings, Marie (Dayton) Hanson, Leonard (Donna) Wicklund, Jeanette Baker; 11 grandchildren and 9-great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents; brother, Donald Wicklund and her daughter, Barbie.

The family would like to thank CentraCare Hospice and St. Benedicts Center Northwoods Neighborhood for the care given to Ruth.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **10**. 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM (CT)

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

Service

OCT **10**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth E. Svihel*

January 29, 2023 at 09:26 AM

RS

“ Dearest Uncle Lloyd and cousins, Mark, Julie, Lori, Jill, Bobby and Melissa,

I was with you in spirit today as I watched the Mass of Christian Burial for Ruthie.

While I am so saddened that she is no longer with us in her physical being, the memories that she has left in my mind and in my heart will live on in deep and profound ways.

How blessed I have been to have an aunt like Ruthie, who was always there whenever she was needed. How I loved going to the home that she so lovingly created and nurtured. I can close my eyes and still feel myself nestled in the comfort of the house...the kitchen table at which so many visits took place, the attic play rooms, the basement with the fresh smell of her laundry.

And, let's not forget about all those haircuts over all those years of growing up. How she loved us "icky black haired Forners"!

I rest in the belief that she is no longer trapped in the space that Alzheimer's created, but that she is eternally free.

May the memories of her love sustain us all as we go forth in this journey.

Much love,

Rita

Rita Forner Schulte - October 10, 2020 at 01:42 PM

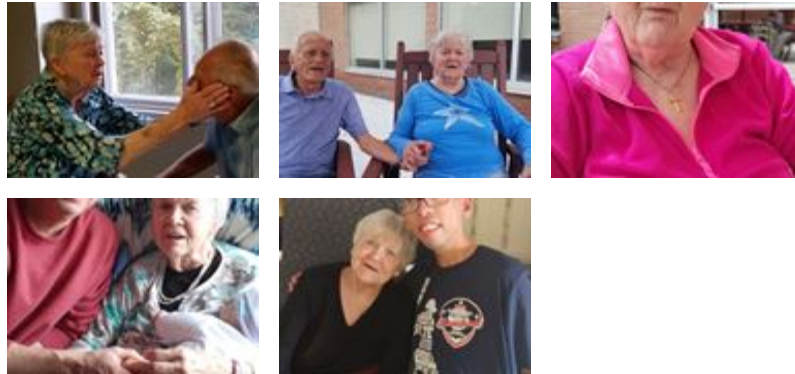
LW

“ Mom you taught me so many wonderful skills. I used one tonight I ironed just the way you used to before special events. Dad and Bob will look so nice for the celebration of your life tomorrow. I felt close to you tonight with you iron and board. Forever in my heart mom your daughter Lori

Lori Wirtzfeld - October 09, 2020 at 10:18 PM



“ 30 files added to the album LifeTributes



Wenner Funeral Home - October 09, 2020 at 03:05 PM



“ Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Ruth E. Svihel.



October 08, 2020 at 04:41 PM

JM

“ Our sympathies to the entire Svihel family. Sending love your way. I remember Ruth giving me at home perms when I was a young girl - she was a lady of many talents. She will be missed.

Love, Julie (Hennen) Mikkelson & Mike, Olive and Isla Mikkelson

Julie Mikkelson - October 08, 2020 at 11:38 AM



“ Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Ruth E. Svihel.



October 08, 2020 at 09:26 AM

GN

“ Ruth was the best friend i had the privilege to know... she help me to learn so many skills ..how to cut my son's hair.. how to sew.. how to garden .. how to play a great game of cards... she was a wonderful women full of patience, kindness, a great human being -- she left her mark on the card club we shared, the bingo Sunday nights at Watkins, so so much fun .. will miss her and will always have a great memory of her -thanks Ruthie for being such a wonderful friend .. my sympathy to her family -- she will always be with you -- in spirit.. prayers to all .. Geri - Honer-Novotny

Geri Novotny - October 07, 2020 at 12:56 PM

BL

“ *Becky Sutton & Dan Levinson purchased the Flo or Plant for Sympathy for the family of Ruth E. Svihel.*



Becky Sutton & Dan Levinson - October 07, 2020 at 10:29 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth E. Svihel.*



October 06, 2020 at 03:32 PM

TF

“ *The Forner Family purchased the Cherished Memories - All White for the family of Ruth E. Svihel.*



The Forner Family - October 06, 2020 at 02:40 PM



“ *Love's Embrace Roses – Purple was purchased for the family of Ruth E. Svihel.*



October 06, 2020 at 02:33 PM