



## RUTHA FRANCINE CHRISTIAN

January 26, 1936 - May 11, 2019

Rutha (Ruth) Francine Christian was born Rutha Wagner in Reedsburg, WI on January 24, 1936 to Louis and Verdie Wagner as the 8th of eight children. Ruth graduated from Reedsburg High School in 1953 and married her high school sweetheart, Victor Christian (also of Reedsburg) on July 24, 1954. Ruth's primary occupation was that of homemaker and loving wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother – a task which she excelled at. She also worked at multiple textile factories, an electric components factory, the store manager at Haugstad's Confectionary in Caledonia and Winnebago Software also in Caledonia. Ruth finally retired in 1997 and she and Vic became full time RV'ers, traveling across North America, from Alaska to Georgia to Quebec to California and deep into Mexico.

Ruth passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 11 at Tweeten Gundersen Healthcare in Spring Grove, MN.

Ruth is survived by a sister, Phyllis Montgomery of Bishop CA, a daughter Teresa Holland of Spring Grove MN, a son Alan (Annette) of Brownsville MN, a son Melvin (Mary) of LaCrescent MN, a son Jeff (Trish) of Atlantic IA, a son Kurt (Mary Ann) of Caledonia MN, a son Pat (Judy) of Rushford MN and a son Mark (Stacey) of Pittsboro NC. She is also survived by 15 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren and 4 great great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her loving husband, a brother Raymond, sisters Florence, Lola, Josephine, Verdean and Helen. She was also preceded in death by a daughter Rosemary, a grandson Joseph Holland, a grand daughter Allee Christian a great grand daughter Clara Bjerke, and son in law, Dean Holland.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 pm on Thursday May 16th at Holy Family Hall at St Mary's Catholic Church in Caledonia. Mass of Christian Burial will be at 11 am on Friday, May 17th at St Mary's Catholic Church, with burial in Calvary Cemetery. Visitation will also be from 10-11 am Friday morning before the service at the church.

# Tribute Wall

JP

“ So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. I always enjoyed visiting with Ruth. She was a wonderful person.

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**Jan & Joe Palen** - May 17, 2019 at 11:02 AM

SB

“ So very sorry for the loss of your Mom. She always had a warm and friendly smile. I have been recalling some great memories of her during my Haugstad days!! May you find comfort and peace knowing her soul is resting with your Dad. What a wonderful life to celebrate! My deepest sympathies to you all.

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**Sue Breyer** - May 15, 2019 at 09:36 AM

SA

“ Ruth was a very sweet lady to work with at Winnebago Software. Heart felt sympathy to the Christian family.  
Sue (Rasmussen) Amunrud

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**Sue (Rasmussen) Amunrud** - May 15, 2019 at 09:13 AM

DL

“ So sorry for your loss! The Christian family, friends and loved ones are in my deepest thoughts and prayers!  
Dusty Larsen

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**Dusty Larsen** - May 13, 2019 at 01:48 PM

DW

“ Thinking of the Christian family during this time. Cherish those memories. She & Vic are now RVing together again 😊

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**Dave & Wilma** - May 13, 2019 at 12:31 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of  
**RUTHA FRANCINE CHRISTIAN.**



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May 13, 2019 at 11:00 AM