



Kathleen Henkenius

March 17, 1945 - October 20, 2010

Kathleen Henkenius, age 65, of Carroll, Iowa, died Wednesday, October 20, 2010, at her residence following a long illness.

Mass of the Christian Burial will be celebrated at 2 P.M., Sunday, October 24, 2010, at St. Lawrence Church in Carroll. The Celebrant will be Father Timothy Schott. Lectors will be her sons, Michael Henkenius and Patrick Henkenius. Gift Bearers will be her daughter, Mary Beth Wiskus, daughter-in-law, Monica Henkenius, and her grandchildren. Mass Servers will be Brian Ricke, Jared Henkenius, and Audrey Henkenius. Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist will be Jerome Henkenius. Honorary Pallbearers will be Kathy Irlbeck, Evie Wieland, Lois Zimmerman, Dorothy Pudenz, Mary Summers, Elaine Corsbie, and her sisters of Alpha Lambda Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. Casket Bearers will be James Tierney, Jr., Thomas Tierney, Dr. Dennis Tierney, Jim Pedelty, Richard Henkenius, Dennis Henkenius, and Bill Henkenius. Burial will be at Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Carroll.

Friends may call at the Sharp Funeral Home in Carroll after 5 P.M. Saturday. There will be a Christian wake service at 7:30 P.M. Saturday by St. Lawrence Parish. Visitation will resume at 10 A.M. Sunday at the Sharp Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers memorials may be left at the funeral home or church for the Kuemper Catholic Schools Foundation or the Diocese of Sioux City Religious Vocations Fund.

Kathie was born on March 17, 1945, at Omaha, Nebraska, the daughter of Dr. James and M. Virginia (Heires) Tierney. She attended St. Lawrence School in

Carroll, graduated from Kuemper High School in 1963, and graduated from Duchesne College of the Sacred Heart in Omaha, Nebraska, in 1967. Kathie and Vern Henkenius were married on December 27, 1967, at St. Lawrence Church in Carroll. The couple made their home in Carroll and from 1974 to 1979 lived at Dallas Center, from 1979 to 1980 lived at Odebolt, and in 1980 returned to Carroll to make their home. Kathie taught at St. Lawrence School in Carroll from 1967 to 1969 and then dedicated her life to being a homemaker and raising her family. She was a member of St. Lawrence Parish, serving her parish as an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, and treasured her many years as a C.C.D. teacher. She was also a member of Alpha Lambda Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority and the Carroll Area Serra Club. Kathie dearly loved her family, and enjoyed playing bridge, family activities, going to the Adoration Chapel, and attending Daily Mass.

Kathie is survived by her husband, Vern Henkenius of Carroll; her children, Michael Henkenius and wife Monica of Lincoln, Nebr., Patrick Henkenius of Urbandale, and Mary Beth Wiskus and husband Todd of West Des Moines; her grandchildren, Zachary, Andrew, Sally, and Gregory Henkenius, and Matthew Wiskus; her parents, Dr. James and Virginia Tierney of Carroll; a sister, Mary Fran Pedelty and husband Jim of Carroll; brothers, James Tierney Jr. and wife Mary Jo of Centennial, Colo., Thomas Tierney of Seattle, Wash., and Dr. Dennis Tierney and wife Judy of Omaha, Nebr.; and brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, Jerome and Norma Henkenius of Arcadia, Gordon Wiebers of Denison, Jan Werts of Fountain Valley, Calif., Richard and Cheryl Henkenius of Omaha, Nebr., Jean and Mark Elliott of St. Louis, Missouri, Dennis and Cathy Henkenius of Omaha, Nebr., and Bill and Cheryl Henkenius of Urbandale.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Arthur and Frances Heires and Ray and Mabel Tierney; her parents-in-law, Louis and Louise Henkenius; and a sister-in-law, Marlene Wiebers.

Tribute Wall

DL

“ *kathy was a devoted mother, wife, and family supporter. she was also a devoted Christian. she will be greatly missed by her family, and the carroll, iowa community
our prayers are with vern and the henkenius family.*

david lynch - October 25, 2010 at 05:19 PM

MM

“ *Vern, So sorry to hear about Kathy. I was a student at KHS class of '69. Was so glad to see you and several other teachers at our class reunion at Santa Maria winery. You have my deepest sympathy and prayers to your family. Marla (Wiederien) Meister*

Marla(Wiederien) Meister - October 24, 2010 at 01:39 PM

BH

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Kathie and her family.*

Bradley and Jill Henkenius - October 23, 2010 at 02:06 PM

CS

“ *Kathie was always a cheery, upbeat college friend at Duchesne College in Omaha. We carpooled to student teach Senior Year. She was so in love with you Vern and through the years we exchanged the proverbial Christmas letter filled with pride of her family. I particularly remember Michael.
Please give her parents my love and to all the family as well. She is at peace and wishes the same to all of us as we await our eternal homecoming celebration together once again.*

Collette Kerr Shaughnessy - October 23, 2010 at 01:10 PM

JF

“ To the family of Kathleen Henkenius:
You have my sympathy upon the death of Kathie. I remember her
as a wonderful, loving and caring person.
Kathie and all of you will be remembered specially in prayer in the
Chapel of Perpetual Adoration of the Franciscan Sisters in La
Crosse.
May God grant her the fullness of life and comfort you in your
sorrow.

Jolyce Greteman, FSPA - October 23, 2010 at 11:52 AM

DH

“ Deepest sympathies for Kathie's death from first cousin David and
wife Katherine.

David & Katherine Heires - October 22, 2010 at 09:20 PM

RG

“ We will remember Kathie as a kind, sweet, loving, caring person
with a great sense of humor. We will remember her in our prayers
and keep her always in our hearts. Please accept our deepest
condolences.

Ruth & Bob Goldstein - October 22, 2010 at 08:12 PM

UF

“ Our thoughts are with your family during this difficult time.

Urbandale High School Faculty - October 22, 2010 at 02:26 PM

GJ

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your entire family. She is now an angel watching over all of us. She was the best "roomie" in the entire world during those years at Duchesne. I will always remember her love, warmth, kindness, humor, and faith.

Gayle Sweitzer Juhan & Michael Juhan - October 22, 2010 at 12:01 PM

SH

“ *Henkenius Family,*
Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you in this time of grieving. It is often so easy to say that a loved one is in a better place when they have been ill, and even though that is true, that alone does not take away the pain....especially the pain of losing such a loving woman. May God bless all of you and keep you strong through this difficult time.
Turn to God, family, and the wonderful memories all of you have!
The Hoshaws (Steve, Jamie, and Maddisen)

Steve Hoshaw - October 22, 2010 at 11:34 AM

RM

“ We wish to extend our sympathy to all. Kathie was very important to our family. I enjoyed our time together last summer.

Ron, Ellen, Ryan Howell & Tara Mecum - October 22, 2010 at 10:09 AM

TF

“ Our prayers are with your family.

The Birdwell Family - October 21, 2010 at 06:05 PM

LM

“ Our thoughts and paryers are with all the Henkenius family!

Linda Kanne McElvain - October 21, 2010 at 04:00 PM