



Rose M. Zerfowski

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Decatur- Rose Marie (Brady) Zerfowski, 85, born August 19, 1926, passed away Wednesday, May 2, 2012, with her family by her side.

Rose was married to Robert Orville Zerfowski on July 17, 1943. They were happily married sixty-eight years and their children cannot remember her ever leaving the house without kissing her husband and saying "I love you".

Rose is survived by her husband Robert, sons; Richard (Sue) Zerfowski of Mt. Zion, Joseph Zerfowski of Decatur, Randy Zerfowski of Lynn Haven Florida, and James Zerfowski of Decatur, sisters; Jeannette Sullivan of Michigan, and Florence Cook of Decatur, grandchildren; Tammy Reimer, Jodi Whalen, Lindsey Zerfowski, Robert Zerfowski, and Ava Zerfowski, great-grandchildren; Cody Reimer, and Nate Whalen.

Rose was a very loving and giving person. She was a Den Mother for Cub Scout pack 10 and active in the PTA at Grant School. She supported her children in all their activities, whether it was sports, band, chorus or any other activities they tried. Rose got her license as a practical nurse (LPN) in September of 1961, and kept her license until she retired in January of 1991, working most of her career as the office nurse for Dr. J. Elwyn Jones.

She was an avid card player, loving bridge and pinochle, she also was on several bowling leagues for many years, and loved to swim at the "Y". Rosie, also called Ree-Ree by close family members, collected eggs, amassing a collection of thousands from all over the world. She enjoyed dabbling in crafts, and almost any evening someone came to visit, Rose would be in her chair knitting an afghan. She must have knitted hundreds in her lifetime, giving most of them away to family and friends.



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Rose had a tradition of hosting a Christmas open house for family and friends. In honor of this tradition, family and friends are invited to gather and reminisce at Fletcher Park Recreation Center in Mt. Zion on Saturday, May 19, 2012, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Memorials can be sent to St. John's Hospice 1800 East Lakeshore Drive Decatur, Grace House 821 East Cantrell Street Decatur, or the Richland Community Foundation, Nursing program, One College Park Decatur.

She was preceded in death by her parents Carl David Brady and Vola Mae (Dash) Brady, son; Robert Lee Zerfowski, brother; Carl David (Buddy) Brady, and sister Phyllis Botts.

The family of Rose is being served by Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home. Online condolences and memories may be shared with the family at www.gracelandfairlawn.com.



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PR

Priscila posted:

Nowadays, lots of health ccenros happen like abdominal pain, bowel problems, and lack of energy are commonly associated with an unhealthy intestinal tract. This is mainly because of our bad eating routine which induce waste materials to build up in the intestinal tract leading to specific health conditions to happen. In order to remove these the safe and natural method, then try colon detoxification at your home, proven and tested effective.

October 14 at 9:06 AM

VI

Viney posted:

I've been looking for a post like this froveer (and a day)

October 11 at 6:39 AM

SB

Sherry Britton posted:

Rose was one of the kindest, most loving women I have ever known. She was the glue that held our neighborhood together. We all knew we could go to her anytime we needed help or medical attention! Rose was there for my family and grieved the loss of my oldest brother with us. She will be dearly missed.

May 20 at 5:06 PM

SB

Sherry Britton posted:

Rose was one of the kindest, most loving women I ever had the pleasure of knowing. When we were kids she was always so good to us. She was the glue that held our neighborhood together. She knew everyone, and we all knew we could go to her if we needed help or medical attention! Rose was very supportive and grieved our loss with us when my oldest brother died. She will be dearly missed.

May 20 at 4:46 PM



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KR

Karen Ragle posted:

Rose was my 2nd mom—I first met her as the "new nurse" at Dr. Jones office about 40 years ago—she was with me through my pregnancies and every surgery, stitch, broken bone or illness for my boys and I. Rose was also the first person I turned to and was there for me when I lost my parents—she gave her time not only on the clock but also off the clock. After her retirement when my grandkids were born she crocheted everyone of them something—my boys thought of her as a grandma not the nurse at the Dr. office—she was truly an exceptional person and friend and will be greatly missed —Karen (Barnfield) RagleP.S. Save a place for me and see you on the other side—I'll bring extra yarn—

May 15 at 12:05 PM

RZ

Randy Zerfowski posted:

Mom we all will miss you but know you are better now. We will all be together again.Love your sonRandy

May 14 at 10:59 AM

JW

Jodi Whalen posted:

Grandma we loved you so much and miss you so much. Thanks for being a wonderful grandma to me and a wonderful great grandma to Nate. I'm so happy he had the chance to know you and love you and he will continue to be around grandpa. This all just doesn't seem real but I guess it is and I'm so glad you aren't suffering anymore. There have been many times on my drive home from work that I've wanted to call you and see how you are doing. Then I remember....Thanks for all the wonderful years you shared with me and my family. You will always be in my heart. I love you...rest in peace Grandma.Love always,Your granddaughter

May 14 at 9:06 AM

TK

Tami Katt posted:

Bob & Family,I am sorry to hear about the passing of Rosie. Mom used to talk about her alot and enjoyed playing bridge and doing ceramics with her. You're wife/mom was a wonderful lady, she'll be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you.May God Bless,Tami Katt-Gribler

May 13 at 6:55 PM



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Lea posted:

Mrs. Zerfowski, was a incredible woman.She loved her husband and five boys. She leaves behind her legacy in her children and in her grandchildren.I will always have fond memories of the many card games she played, watching her bowl on thursday afternoons and many other memories. Her love of cooking, the utter joy she felt when she had a fresh bouquet of flowers from her yard. Her christmas open houses.And the times all of her children and grandchildren were in her home. She always beamed with pride when they all were together.She lived life to the fullest which is a lesson she taught me.I send my deepest sympathies to her husband and family.May she rest in eternal peace.

May 9 at 5:05 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Rose by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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