



## Katherine Martens

March 21, 1938 - December 17, 2014

Katherine Martens of Vichy, Missouri passed away Wednesday, December 17, 2014 at the Linn Community Skilled Care center in Linn, Missouri at the age of 76. Katherine was born in Carthage, Illinois on March 21, 1938 to the late Ralph and Thelma (Vass) Freeman.

Miss Katherine Freeman was united in marriage to Gerald Martens on January 4, 1959 and to this union three children were born. Katherine was a longtime member of the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Rolla, Missouri, she had a strong faith in God and family; "As the matriarch of the family, she instilled good morals and values to everyone she came in contact with. Katherine was always a lady known for her style and grace." She was a kind and loving person who had an open heart always welcoming family and friends to her home. Her hobbies included knitting, crocheting, and house keeping, she loved to cook and bake for family and friends who will remember and miss her pies, homemade noodles, and her famous cinnamon rolls. She and Gerald were blessed with 55 years together, a lot of good times, and many memories. She will be greatly missed by those that knew and loved her. Katherine Martens is survived by her beloved husband Gerald, of the home; children, Dwayne Martens and wife Shelia, of New Haven, MO; and Robert Martens, of Vichy, MO; brothers, Donald Freeman and wife Shirley, of IL, Gary Freeman and wife Jean, of Carthage, IL, Mike Freeman and wife Diane, of IL, and Dennis Freeman and wife Cindy, of IA; sisters, Diane O'Neal and husband Ed, of IA, Carole Freeman, of Canton, MO, and Crystal Withers and

husband John, of OK; grandchildren, Jessica, Travis, Jaymes, Derek, Ciarra, Skylar, and Ashley; seven great-grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and many friends. In addition to her parents Katherine was preceded in death by a daughter, Anna Southard; brothers James, Ralph JR., and Ronnie Freeman; sisters, Deloris Phillips, and Janet Campbell.

Funeral services for Katherine Martens will be held Tuesday, December 23, 2014 at 11AM at the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Rolla, MO with Pastor Nathan Kuhlman officiating. Interment will be at the Macedonia Cemetery. A visitation for family and friends will be held on Monday, December 22, 2014 at the Redeemer Lutheran Church from 5-7PM.

# Cemetery Details

**Macedonia Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

DEC **22**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Redeemer Lutheran Church  
Rolla, MO

### Service

DEC **23**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Redeemer Lutheran Church  
Rolla, MO

# Tribute Wall



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January 30, 2023 at 04:37 AM



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January 30, 2023 at 02:54 AM