



Martha Ann Harris

March 6, 1924 - May 9, 2023

Martha Ann Harris of Rolla, Missouri passed away on Tuesday, May 9, 2023, peacefully at home surrounded by her family at the age of 99. Martha was born in Verona, Missouri on March 6, 1924 to the late John and Mary (Ortwein) Buehler.

Martha attended school at the Verona Sacred Heart Catholic Church for 1st to 8th grade, she and her brother, and sisters walked three miles to school every day. She was united in marriage to Gene Harris in 1946 this marriage was blessed with two daughters. After they married, they set up housekeeping in Verona and Martha went to work at the Juvenile shoe factory. She worked her way up to floor supervisor and worked 34 years before retiring. Retirement didn't last long for Martha, she went to work as the hostess at Jerry's Donut shop, which was more like a little diner than just your typical donut shop. She and her three sisters Rosemary, Catherine, and Helen attended morning Mass at Holy Trinity Church in Aurora, Missouri. After mass they either went to McDonalds for pancakes and coffee, or to Jerry's Donut Shop. Of course, everyone around town knew "the sisters" but they would often be asked by strangers if they were sisters. After a quick breakfast they were off to find a bargain scouring the local yard and garage sales.

Martha Ann enjoyed being outside, she mowed her own yard, grew her favorite flowers, she always raised a small vegetable garden and was always eager for the first ripe tomato. She enjoyed shopping, and doing her nails, which she always did herself, she especially liked bright colors. As a devout

Catholic, she was dedicated to the Church. Words cannot adequately express the endless love she had for her family, and that they had for her. She was an incredible mother and grandmother and the rock of her family. Martha will be forever remembered by everyone that was blessed to have known her. in her 99 years on this earth.

Martha Ann Harris is survived by her daughters, Diana Bohm, of Rolla, MO, and Nancy Weldy, of Rogersville, MO; grandchildren, Donna Reiche, and Stephaine Weldy; great-grandchildren, Aubrey George, Giselle Hittle (Isaiah), Isabelle Reiche, Lane Walden, and Brett Walden; great-great-grandchildren, Anberlin Walden, Alice Walden, Braxton Walden; a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. In addition to her parents John and Mary Buehler, Martha was preceded in death by her husband Gene Harris in 1977; sisters, Rosemary Korba, Catherine Huellhorst, and Helen Neill; brother, Raymond Buehler.

Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:00am on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at the St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Rolla, Missouri with Father Greg Meystrik officiating. Interment will be at 3:00pm in Aurora, Missouri at the Mount Calvary Catholic Cemetery with Father Paul Pudhoota officiating the committal service. Memorials are suggested and greatly appreciated to St. Pat's Catholic church/ or School/ or Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Aurora, MO. For online condolences please visit www.jamesgahrmortuary.com.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAY 16. 3:00 PM (CT)

Mount. Calvary Catholic Cemetery
Aurora, MO 65605

Funeral Mass

MAY 16. 10:00 PM (CT)

St Patrick Catholic Church
17 St Patricks Ln
Rolla, MO 65401
(573) 364-1435

Tribute Wall

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“ *My mother Nancy McNerney Netzer worked also at the Juvenile Shoe Factory same time as Martha. My girlfriend & I worked nexted to Martha for a brief time after graduating fr High School. Martha was a very special lady. My name is Karen Netzer Rosewicz. Sendn prayers for the family*

Karen Rosewicz - May 22, 2023 at 10:59 AM

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