



Mary Virginia Kangas

May 21, 1932 - March 12, 2019

Mary Virginia Kangas, age 86, of Rudyard, Michigan, died March 12, 2019, in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. She was born May 21, 1932, in St. Ignace, Michigan, to Russell and Leona Josephine (Simon) Brown.

Virginia grew up in St. Ignace and attended LaSalle High School. She married Herbert William Kangas on June 22, 1957, and made their home in Rudyard where they raised five children. Once her children were school aged, Virginia started housekeeping at hotels in St. Ignace where she worked for over twenty years. Herbert died in 1989 and Virginia moved back to St. Ignace.

Virginia was a member of the St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church in Rudyard. She enjoyed flower gardening, shopping, and going to rummage sales over the years. Virginia loved spending time with family and babysitting her grandchildren.

Virginia is survived by her brother, Louis Brown of San Francisco, California; sons, Herb and Kathy Kangas of Dafter, Michigan, and Bryan and Marcy Kangas of Rudyard; and daughters, Holly and Chris Strzelecki of Crosby, Texas, Bonnie and Rick Sadler of Kingsford, Michigan; and Connie and John Basel of Traverse City, Michigan. She is also survived by numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Virginia was preceded in death by her husband, Herbert Kangas; granddaughter, Candance Sadler; sister, Helen Litzner; and brothers, Simon Brown and Marion Brown.

Virginia was good hearted and opened her home to anybody in need. She was a wonderful mother and will be dearly missed.

A Memorial Service will be held on May 25, 2019, at 11:00 A.M. at the St. Joseph Roman Catholic Church in Rudyard.

Interment will be at North Rudyard Township Cemetery.

Please consider memorial donations to Alzheimer's Association at alz.org.

R. Galer Funeral Home in Pickford, Michigan is serving the family.
Condolences may be sent to the family at www.rgalerfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



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“ *My prayers and thoughts are with Mary's family at this time... it was an pleasure meeting and getting to know your mother...I will have fond memories Robert Gregoire*

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“ We would like to express our sincere condolences to you and your family. With deep sympathy, we share your sorrow, after the tears have dried and the goodbyes have been said, all we have to hold onto are the happy memories that we've shared with our loved ones who have passed, this is what keeps them alive in our hearts and in our minds, and they will continue to live on, through us. May God give you the strength to endure the pain you are going through and may he embrace you and comfort your family during this difficult time."Jesus said to her: 'I am the resurrection and the life. The one who exercises faith in me, even though he dies, will come to life.'" - John 11:25

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