



Rosa B. Lane

June 13, 1927 - November 26, 2022

Rosa B. Lane, age 95, of Gifford, formerly of Rantoul, passed away on Saturday, November 26, 2022, at Country Health Care and Rehab in Gifford. She was born on June 13, 1927, in Hartford, IL, the daughter of George and Alice (Dwyer) Veach. Rosa married Earl Robert Lane on May 1, 1949. He preceded her in death in 1986.

She is survived by one son, Bruce (Mary) Lane of Cary, IL; one daughter, Diana (Daniel) Grunloh of Loda; a sister-in-law, Phyllis Ann Veach of Maroa; two grandchildren, Robert Allen Lane of Brooklyn, NY, and Carrie Scott of Springfield, MO; one great-grandchild, Morgen Scott of Newnan, GA; and several nieces and nephews.

Along with her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; three brothers, Al Veach, George Veach, and Jerry Veach; and one sister, Ilah Clark.

Rosa grew up in a family of eight, in Wood River, IL. She graduated from East Alton Wood River Community High School. Since she was a young girl, Rosa loved airplanes and the idea of flying among the clouds. After graduating, she knew her ticket to flying was by becoming a nurse; and she earned her Registered Nurse Diploma in the 1940's through the United States Cadet Nursing Corps, in hopes to become a Flight Attendant and soar into the sky. A

true Renaissance woman, Rosa has been a painter, sculptor, fisherman, camper, scuba diver, and a private pilot.

Rosa's love for writing began when she was six years old. Her interest in the arts led her to earn her associate degree with honors in Fine Arts from North Harris Count College in Texas. Attending a number of Elder Hostles and Creative Writing Workshops, Rosa's love for writing continued throughout her life. She has published three romance novels titled, "Connie", "Charley's Flying School", and "The Sermon"; which contain the perspective of strong, capable, intelligent, and caring women. Rosa has donated copies of her books to the Rantoul Public Library Local Writers Collection, East Alton Wood River High School Alumni Authors Collection, and the Brookstone Estates Library in Rantoul, where she previously resided for over a decade. Rosa will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, December 4, 2022, from 2:00pm – 6:00pm, at Cox-Knapp Funeral Home in Paxton. Burial will take place on Monday, December 5, 2022, at 12:00pm, at Rose Lawn Memory Gardens in Bethalto, IL. Memorials in Rosa's name may be made to Planned Parenthood, Heifer International, or Central Illinois Food Bank.

Cemetery Details

Rose Lawn Memory Gardens

10 Erwin Plegge Blvd
Bethalto, IL 62010

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 4. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Cox-Knapp Funeral Home
142 W. Patton St.
Paxton, IL 60957
(217) 379-2353
coxknappfh@gmail.com
<http://coxknapp.com>

Graveside Service

DEC 5. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *This wonderful woman was my Aunt. She was full of love, laughter and a inquisitive joy of life. She had a daring soul and questioning mind. She was a nurse, artist and I envied her bravery for learning to scuba dive and later getting her pilots license, these were before and early into the “women’s liberation” movement. Later in her life well after her “retirement “ she became an author of several books. She will be missed. I am deeply saddened by her loss. S. L. Veach*

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