



Bernice B. Knies

August 27, 1936 - May 18, 2023

Bernice B. Knies, age 86 of Celestine, Indiana, passed away peacefully at 1:43 pm on Wednesday, May 18, 2023, at home.

Bernice was born in Celestine, Indiana on August 27, 1936, to Bernard and Theresia (Schroering) Kluesner. She married Jerome Knies on September 4, 1954, in St. Peter Celestine Catholic Church in Celestine, Indiana. He preceded her in death on May 23, 2017.

She was a 1954 graduate of Dubois High School.

She retired as custodian from Old National Bank in Jasper, and helped on the family farm.

Bernice was a member of St. Isidore Parish in Celestine, Indiana, where she was a recipient of the Simon Brute Award, a member of their St. Anne's Sodality, served as a religious education teacher, participated in CRHP, and helped with many bereavement meals. She was also a lifelong member of the Celestine Community Club.

She enjoyed quilting, gardening, canning, flowers, cooking for everyone, and spending time with family and friends, especially her grandchildren.

Surviving are three daughters, Pam Spencer (Tom), Birdseye, Iris Gadlage (Bernie), Celestine, Jill Thompson (Jamie), Jasper, four sons, Brian Knies, Celestine, Christopher Knies (companion Rhonda), Dubois, Jerry Knies (Holly), Celestine, and John Knies (Kelley), Evansville, 16 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren with two on the way, one sister, Yvonne Luebbehusen, St. Henry, and one brother, Arnie Kluesner (Alice), Jasper.

Preceding her in death besides her husband, were three sisters, Adeline Fleck, Neoma Sander, and Verena Egenolf, one brother, Ronald Kluesner, and another sister Norma Jean Kluesner who died in childhood.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Bernice B. Knies will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 24, 2023, in St. Isidore Parish – St. Raphael Catholic Church in Dubois, Indiana, with burial to follow in St. Celestine cemetery in Celestine, Indiana.

A visitation will be held from 3 pm until 7 pm on Tuesday, May 23, 2023 at the Becher-Kluesner Downtown Chapel in Jasper, Indiana. The St. Isidore Parish will pray the rosary at 2:30 pm at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Isidore Parish.

Condolences may be made at www.becherkluesner.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Celestine Cemetery

6864 Indiana 164
Celestine, IN 47521

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **23**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Becher & Kluesner Funeral Home - Downtown
214 East 7th Street
Jasper, IN 47546
(812) 482-4141
email@becherkluesner.com

Mass of Christian Burial

MAY **24**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Raphael's Catholic Church
Dubois, IN

Tribute Wall

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“ *Miriam and I would like to express our deepest sympathy to the entire Knies family. We always enjoyed talking to Bernice and hearing her stories. She will be missed by all.*
Jon and Miriam Eckerle



Jon David Eckerle - May 22, 2023 at 02:57 AM

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“ *So sorry for your loss, prayers coming for you and your family Iris.*

Martha Bauer-Woodward

Martha Woodward - May 19, 2023 at 05:44 PM