



Elizabeth "Betty" Merkley

May 28, 1935 - April 23, 2019

Elizabeth "Betty" Merkley. Age 83 of Jasper passed away at 11:32 a.m. Tuesday, April 23, 2019 at her home in Jasper surrounded by her children.

She was born at Ireland, Indiana on May 28, 1935, to Joseph and Gertrude (Beyke) Sermersheim. She married Herman J. Merkley on April 19, 1958 in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Ireland, Indiana. He preceded her in death on May 24, 2001.

Betty retired from Old National Bank where she worked in property management for many years. Also was a seamstress, making quilts and alterations and baptismal and prom dresses.

She is a member of St. Isidore Parish – St. Celestine Campus where she taught religion education, St. Ann's Society, and Shaw ministry and Celestine Community Club.

Betty enjoyed spending time with all her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Surviving, Five daughters;

Jane Burger (John), Celestine, IN

Mary Mattingly (William), Evansville, IN

Becky Ferguson (Randy), Huntingburg, IN
Aggie Blessinger (Charles Jr.), Huntingburg, IN
Alice Pund, (Beau), Dale, IN

Three sons;

Ed Merkley (Mary), Jasper, IN
Tom Merkley (Sherry), Huntingburg, IN
Paul Merkley, Jasper, IN

18 grandchildren many great grandchildren.

Two sisters,

Sr. Mary Agnes OSB, Ferdinand, IN
Florence Ebenkamp (Larry), Lansing, MI

Two brothers,

Richard Sermersheim (Carol), Celestine, IN
Marty Sermersheim (Irma), Jasper, IN

Preceding her in death besides her husband are Sister, Veronica Dilger
Brother, Jim Sermersheim.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, April 26, 2019 in
St. Celestine Catholic Church with burial to follow in St. Celestine Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 3 – 7:00 p.m. Thursday at the Becher-Kluesner
Downtown Chapel in Jasper. Rosary will be held at 2:30 p.m. Thursday by the
St. Ann's Society at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Isidore Parish. Online
condolences may be

made at www.becherkluesner.com

Cemetery Details

St. Celestine Cemetery

6864 Indiana 164
Celestine, IN 47521

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **25**. 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

APR **26**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter Celestine Catholic Church
6864 East State Road 164
Celestine, IN 47521

Tribute Wall



“ Elizabeth "Betty" Merkley

January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ Dear Family, I'm shocked to read of the passing of your mother. We corresponded at Christmas for years. I also visited her at her apt. on Newton St several yrs ago. What happened? Please someone let me know.

Marie, as we called her, worked for my family in my parents home, when I was growing up. She was special to me. I'm so sorry. Prayers and sympathy, Sarah Berger Humphrey now of Muncie IN R.I.P. Marie



Sarah Humphrey - April 26, 2019 at 10:06 PM



“ Prayers and Sympathy to the Merkley Family....Betty was such a special lady...I knew when I went to pick up my alterations it would be at least an hour visit. I really looked forward to seeing and talking to her. She will be dearly missed. Gail, Rudy, Bobby and Threse Reutman

Gail Reutman - April 24, 2019 at 03:32 PM



“ *Betty was a wonderful lady ! She was good to me and my brother Patrick . I lived at the same apartment complex for five years and my brother lived and (lives)right beside her there . She gave me advice and always was great to talk to ! She will be missed by both of us . We cannot thank her enough for her caring about us over the years ! We cared about her too !! Our sympathy goes to all her family . Rest in Eternal Peace Betty ! We will see you again!!*

Michelle Hasenour Crecelius - April 24, 2019 at 12:36 PM