



## Evelyn V. Merkel

March 8, 1925 - December 6, 2019

Dateline Celestine, Indiana

Evelyn V. Merkel, age 94 of Celestine, Indiana, passed away at 6:34 p.m. on Friday, December 6, 2019 at home.

Evelyn was born in Celestine, Indiana on March 8, 1925 to Frank and Bertha (Gehlhausen) Kluesner. She married Alfred A. Merkel on October 18, 1952 in St. Celestine Catholic Church. He preceded her in death on June 21, 2002.

She was a homemaker and a member of St. Isidore Parish - St. Celestine Catholic Church and their St. Ann's Sodality. She was active in the CRHP program and a recipient of the Simon Brute' award. She was also an organizing member of the Celestine Community Club.

She enjoyed cooking, keeping her house, and spending time with family and friends.

Surviving are two daughters, Donna Ulrich (Paul), Borden, IN, and Diane Niehaus (Larry), St. Anthony, four sons, Andrew Merkel (Janie), Celestine, Gary Merkel (Ann), Evansville, Bernie Merkel (Lisa), Celestine, and Doug Merkel (Renee), Celestine, fourteen grandchildren, and eleven great grandchildren.

Preceding her in death beside her husband was one daughter who died in childbirth, Jane Ann Merkel, and three sisters, Anna Mae Kempf, Lou Alice Buechler, and Mary Heeke.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Evelyn V. Merkel will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 11, 2019, at St. Celestine Catholic Church in Celestine, with burial to follow in the church cemetery.

A visitation will be held from 3 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at the Becher-Kluesner Downtown Chapel in Jasper, IN. The St. Isidore Parish will pray the rosary at 2:45 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Isidore Parish, or to a favorite charity.

Online condolences may be made at [www.becherkluesner.com](http://www.becherkluesner.com)

# Cemetery Details

## St. Celestine Cemetery

6864 Indiana 164  
Celestine, IN 47521

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 10. 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

DEC 11. 10:00 AM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Evelyn V. Merkel*

January 01, 2023 at 10:54 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy to the family of Evelyn & Alfred. I rode to high school with Alfred.  
You had a wonderful Mother.*

s - December 30, 2019 at 04:50 PM



“ *CLINT & DAWN KLUESNER lit a candle in memory of Evelyn V. Merkel*



**CLINT & DAWN KLUESNER** - December 10, 2019 at 07:57 PM



“ *Kathy Freyberger lit a candle in memory of Evelyn V. Merkel*



**Kathy Freyberger** - December 10, 2019 at 03:13 PM

GM

“ We have such fond memories of Aunt Evelyn and Uncle Fritz . I can still hear laughter of Dad Edwin “Jake” & Mom Selma’s visits & get togethers God Bless your families . May she rest In peace. Greg & Kim Merkel



Greg Merkel - December 10, 2019 at 10:04 AM

HM

“ I'm truly sorry. Larry & I were honored to have met her. I wish we had met her many years ago. We learned a lot about the Merkel family from her. Larry's grandfather didn't talk about his family. I hope you find comfort in knowing she's not in pain anymore & she's with her love. God bless everyone.

Helen Merkel

Helen Merkel - December 09, 2019 at 10:16 PM

AD

“ So sorry for your loss. She was a beautiful Isfy.

Anne & Neil Dever - December 09, 2019 at 08:38 PM

PK

“ Patricia Kay lit a candle in memory of Evelyn V. Merkel



patricia kay - December 09, 2019 at 04:44 PM

SB

“ *Scott And Rachelle Beckman lit a candle in memory of Evelyn V. Merkel*



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**Scott and Rachelle Beckman** - December 09, 2019 at 03:02 PM

DC

“ *Diane M Carie lit a candle in memory of Evelyn V. Merkel*



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**Diane M Carie** - December 09, 2019 at 11:48 AM