



Ruth Carmen Tuovila

January 11, 1925 - June 14, 2016

Ruth Carmen (Kempainen) Tuovila, 91, of Charlotte, a beloved mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother entered our Lord's Heavenly Kingdom on June 14, 2016. She was born January 11, 1925 in Dollar Bay, MI, the daughter of August and Sophia (Wayrynan) Kempainen. She wed her sweetheart Roy Tuovila on June 5, 1948, and they were married for 63 years.

Ruth was a devoted mother who loved spending time with her family. Ruth worked for Michigan National Bank where she retired in 1985. She loved traveling, crocheting, putting together puzzles and reading, all of which her children said kept her young beyond her years. Ruth had a wonderful sense of humor and shared many laughs with her friends and family.

Above all Ruth was most proud of her family. Ruth is survived by two daughters, Paulette (Brent) Graham and Diane Tuovila both of Charlotte; son, David (Rose) Tuovila of Norway, MI; grandchildren, Eric (Debbie) Tuovila, Steve Tuovila, Valerie (Brian) Frawley, and Heather (Chris) Votruba; 3 great-grandchildren, Lilly Graham, Seth and Shawn Frawley. She is predeceased by her husband of 63 years Roy, parents and siblings, Alice Dault, Eileen Wallace, June Drew and David Kempeinen.

Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 18, 2016 at The Zion Lutheran Church in Lansing, MI, with Pastor Michael Bater officiating.

Visitation will be from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Friday, June 17, 2016 at Pray Funeral Home. Visitation will also be held from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, June 18, 2016 at The Zion Lutheran Church at 4001 S Pennsylvania Ave, Lansing, MI 48910. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions to Zion Lutheran Church. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Ruth on her tribute page at www.prayfuneral.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 18. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Zion English Evangelical Lutheran Church
4001 S Pennsylvania Ave
Lansing, MI 48910

Funeral Ceremony

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Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruth Carmen Tuovila



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - June 16, 2016 at 08:47 PM

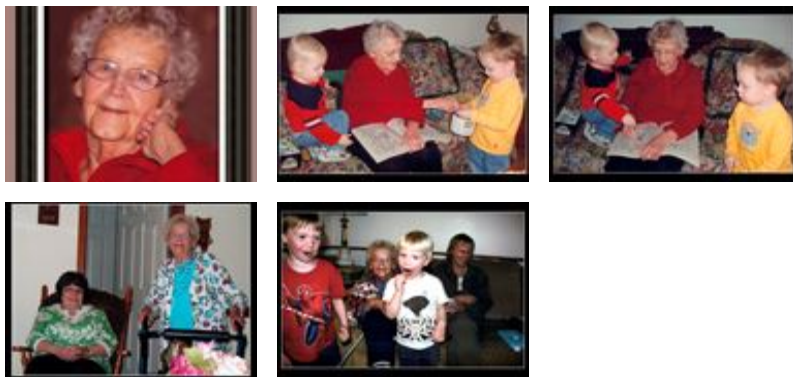
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“ Even though I only got to meet Ruth in the later years. I could see that everyone she met she touched in a special way. I loved her smile and she always had a little chuckle for me when I laughed. RIP Ruth love you Paulette. Amy Ruthruff

Amy Ruthruff - June 18, 2016 at 07:09 PM



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Jim and I just took a trip down memory lane with all the photos posted. We wish we could be there with you all, reminiscing and remembering such a special lady. Thank you so much for posting the photos, we enjoyed them immensely.

Mary Drew - June 17, 2016 at 05:53 PM

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Mary Drew - June 16, 2016 at 03:29 PM

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“ *We will miss Aunty Ruth. She was always such a gracious lady and so welcoming, too. I have always felt her love and caring, even as just an "in-law". We're so glad that we were all able to gather together with her, to help celebrate her 90th birthday and have a mini-reunion. What a blessing she was to all our lives. RIP Aunty Ruth...you are sorely missed already.*

Mary and Jim Drew

Mary Drew - June 16, 2016 at 03:23 PM

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Mary Drew - June 16, 2016 at 03:10 PM

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The Kempainen kids are all together again...I am sure there is much laughter and joy there with them.

Mary Drew - June 16, 2016 at 03:20 PM



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Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - June 16, 2016 at 10:33 AM

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“ *I was very sorry to hear about Ruth's passing. She was great neighbor. I will miss her. She was very proud of her family and a wonderful example of someone who relied on her faith daily. With sympathy, Sally Kapenga*

Sally Kapenga - June 15, 2016 at 11:18 PM