



Ariel Nikolai

December 9, 1929 - December 5, 2014

Ariel Ursula Nikolai, 85, of Lindenhurst, IL passed away on Friday, December 5, 2014.

She was born in Chicago on December 9, 1929, the daughter of the late Clarence and Thelma Aumann. Ariel was a long time member of Prince of Peace Church in Lake Villa and worked at Northern Trust and United Conveyor, retiring in 1997. She was a member of the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary and enjoyed bowling, Bunco, travel, and games of chance. Ariel was an avid Cubs and Bears fan, but enjoyed her grandchildren's sporting events the most.

She is survived by her husband of 56 years Jim "the Barber" Nikolai; children David (Robin) of Burlington, WI, Jim (Amy) of Johnsburg, and Brian of Burlington, WI; grandchildren Danielle (Jim) Sisson of North Carolina, Samantha Vos of Burlington, WI, Abigail Nikolai, Rebecca Nikolai, Joseph Nikolai all of Johnsburg, and Jenelle Nikolai of Round Lake; brothers-in law Clarence (Norma) Nikolai, Richard (Marie) Nikolai, and Patrick (Helen) Nikolai; sisters-in-law Lucille Adamus, Jeanette (Harry) Richards, and Laverne Aumann; and by many nieces, nephews, and lifelong friends.

She was preceded in death by her daughter Patricia Nikolai; siblings Oral Aumann, Rome Aumann, Blaine (late Joanie) Aumann, and Dale Aumann; and by a sister-in-law Lenore Heinemann.

Visitation will be from 4 – 8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at Ringa Funeral Home, 122 S. Milwaukee Ave. (Rte 83) Lake Villa, IL 60046. Prayers will begin at the funeral home at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday followed by a procession to Prince of Peace Church for a 10 a.m. Mass. Burial will follow at Millburn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Ariel's memory to the charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Millburn Cemetery

Millburn Road and Crawford Road
Millburn, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 9. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ringa Funeral Home
122 S. Milwaukee Ave.
Lake Villa, IL 60046
(847) 356-2146
info@ringafuneralhome.com
<https://www.ringafuneralhome.com>

Prayers

DEC 10. 9:30 AM (CT)

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Mass

DEC 10. 10:00 AM (CT)

Prince of Peace Catholic Church
135 S. Milwaukee Ave
Lake Villa, IL 60046
(847) 356-7915

Tribute Wall



“ Ariel Nikolai

October 04, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ Ariel Nikolai

December 31, 2022 at 11:36 AM

LB

“ Lupe Basta lit a candle in memory of Ariel Nikolai



Lupe Basta - December 11, 2014 at 11:12 AM



“ Jim and family: God's grace will carry you through this valley.



Jerry Fay - December 09, 2014 at 06:20 PM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ariel Nikolai.



December 09, 2014 at 09:22 AM

MR

“ Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rogers purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Ariel Nikolai.



Mr. and Mrs. Tom Rogers - December 08, 2014 at 11:17 PM

NO

“ Nancy O. purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Ariel Nikolai.



Nancy O. - December 08, 2014 at 01:27 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ariel Nikolai.



December 08, 2014 at 09:53 AM

KM

“ Katie Morales lit a candle in memory of Ariel Nikolai



katie morales - December 08, 2014 at 09:26 AM

KM

“ One of my fondest memories is visiting Aunt Ariel and Uncle Jim and thinking they were so rich because they had pop tarts! My mother never bought them because there are five of us "children" and one box wouldn't even be one breakfast! Aunt Ariel found this funny. I find it comforting that last Friday for the first time in our 27 year marriage, my husband and I shared a package of pop tarts for breakfast. Aunt Ariel had a special gift. No matter how much time went by, whenever I reached out to her she always reached back without making me feel guilty for letting so much time go by. We celebrate the life of this amazing woman with you and share your sorrow. Katie Aumann Morales

katie morales - December 08, 2014 at 09:26 AM



“ *Holiday Homecoming Basket was purchased for the family of Ariel Nikolai.*



December 08, 2014 at 09:23 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Ariel Nikolai.*



December 08, 2014 at 09:20 AM



“ *We moved from Chicago in the mid-1960's, but we always visited, and usually stayed at, Aunt Ariel's and Uncle Jim's house when we traveled back to Chicago. I have fond memories of visiting Ariel and Jim. Regrettably, after my father's death we did not stay in touch except for Christmas cards and Facebook posts, and I have not seen Ariel in many decades now.*

My condolences to Uncle Jim and the Nikolai family.

Tim Aumann

Tim Aumann - December 08, 2014 at 08:38 AM

SF

“ *Sincerely - Phil & Christy Rezin and family purchased the Red Poinsettia for the family of Ariel Nikolai.*



Sincerely - Phil & Christy Rezin and family - December 07, 2014 at 07:41 PM

LR

“ *Love, Phil and Mary Rezin purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ariel Nikolai.*



Love, Phil and Mary Rezin - December 07, 2014 at 05:54 PM



“ *Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of Ariel Nikolai.*



December 07, 2014 at 07:30 AM

PO

“ *Jim, Amy, kids and rest of the family. So very sorry to hear of this loss. A mother is a tremendous leader, mentor and soul within a family. She has impacted you all and a bit of her resides in each of you. Take those attributes, the ones that you looked up to her for, carry and exhibit for all to see and enjoy. This would be her legacy and one she would be proud of.*

Pam and Marty O'Neill - December 06, 2014 at 05:47 PM

TR

“ *"May the road rise up to meet you.
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face;
the rains fall soft upon your fields
and until we meet again,
may God hold you in the palm of His hand."
(traditional gaelic blessing*

Tracy Benyak

tracy - December 06, 2014 at 03:09 PM