



Irene M. Kramer

August 26, 1925 - April 20, 2014

Irene M. (Galos) Kramer, 88, formerly of Eola, passed away peacefully Easter Sunday, April 20, 2014 at McAuley Manor in Aurora, IL. She was born August 26, 1925 in Chicago, Illinois.

Irene was a 1943 graduate of Sacred Heart Academy in Lisle, IL. She was employed at St. Luke's Hospital in Chicago from 1947-1949, training as an X-Ray technician. Irene moved to the Aurora area in 1953, and was employed at Copley Memorial Hospital from 1953-1990. She married Clarence J. Kramer in 1968 at St. Irene Catholic Church in Warrenville, IL. Irene was 52 years old when she graduated from College of DuPage. She loved the outdoors, and her activities included swimming, gardening, cross-country skiing, camping, hiking, fishing, boating, cycling and water-color painting. Irene was a charter member of the Fox Valley Snow Drifters Ski Club and the American Youth Hostel Chicago Branch for Hiking and Cycling. She was a member of the Actors Guild, the Dominic Club and the Ladies of the Knights of Columbus Auxiliary. She was an active member of the Y.W.C.A. Social Club since her retirement, and was named Woman of the Year at St. Therese Church in 2011, where she also served as an Eucharist Minister, lector and volunteered at the St. Therese Dominican Literary Center.

Survivors include her son, Steven (Peggy) Kramer of Lake-in-the-Hills; two daughters, Karen Michels of Yorkville and Mary Sue Kramer of Warrenville;

nine grandchildren: Dawn (Howie Kaye) Luna, Keith Kramer, Steven (Jaime) Kramer, Victoria (Andrew) Anderson, Ginger (Stephen Behling) Michels, Edward (Rachel) Michels, Peter Michels, Andrew Turner and Alexandria Kramer; eight great grandchildren: Jonathan "Danny" Luna, Kyle Kramer, Aurora Garcia-Kramer, Axl Anderson, Seff Anderson, Harrison Michels-Behling, Avery Michels and Zack Michels; her nephews, Robert (Therese) Peters of Sugar Grove and Tom Peters of North Aurora; and her niece, Mary Ann Peters of Evanston, IL.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence J. Kramer in 2003; her parents, George S. and Irene J. (Companik) Galos; her sister, Mary Jeanne Peters; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, April 30, 2014 from THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY at 9:30 AM to St. Therese Church at 10:00 AM. Fr. Michael Miller, M.S.C. will officiate with interment in Marywood Cemetery. Visitation will be held Tuesday, April 29, 2014 from 2:00 PM until 8:00 PM, with a Liturgical Wake Service at 4:00 PM, at THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 N. Lake St., Aurora. 630-631-5500. Please visit our interactive website at www.daleidenmortuary.com to leave condolences for Irene's family or sign the guest book.

Cemetery Details

Marywood Cemetery

Church Road
aurora, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **29**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Daleiden Mortuary
220 N. Lake Street
Aurora, IL 60506
(630) 631-5500
daleidenmortuary@gmail.com
<https://www.daleidenmortuary.com>

Funeral Mass

APR **30**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Therese Church
271 North Farnsworth Avenue
Aurora, IL 60505
1-630-898-5422

Tribute Wall



“ Daleiden Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Irene M. Kramer



Daleiden Mortuary - April 28, 2014 at 07:53 PM

TC

“ Very sorrowful to here of cousin Irene's passing. I will miss her. My deepest sympathy to all the families.

*Tim Companik
La Grange, Illinois*

Tim Companik - May 03, 2014 at 05:13 PM

JG

“ Sorry to hear about Irene ' s passing. She was a good friend from the YWCA. We also enjoyed playing cards with Irene & Clarence when they came to Wisconsin in the summer. Janice Gaither

Janice Gaither - May 02, 2014 at 12:58 PM

LK

“ 1 file added to the album Irene Kramer



Lee Kay - April 30, 2014 at 11:27 AM

LF

“ *Your smile, your laugh, your gentle touch and the kindness and love you brought into our lives will be with us forever. God Bless you, Aunt Irene.*

Laura and Michael R. Farmer - April 29, 2014 at 06:42 PM

PC

“ *For 67 years my beloved godmother, Irene, brought joy and happiness into my life. She never missed sending a birthday or Christmas card with an uplifting message. It is with deep sorrow that I must say goodbye to a fantastic individual who enriched my life in so many wonderful ways.*
Paul (Butch) Companik
Springfield, Missouri

Paul J. Companik - April 29, 2014 at 03:46 PM

BD

“ *I had the honor of living across the street from Irene and I truly enjoyed watching her walk Max. She couldn't have been happier!!*
Barbara DiMonte

Barbara DiMonte - April 29, 2014 at 02:52 PM

MH

“ *Irene always had a smile and an interesting story. She explored much with her husband and he said how much "Maggie" did for him...a truly great person!!!*

Mel & Nancy Hinterlong - April 29, 2014 at 01:43 PM

YB

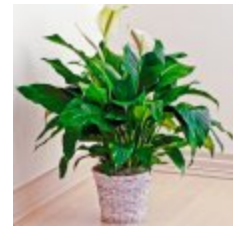
“ Yolanda (Valdez) Barajas

I trained as an x-ray student under Irene and then later returned to work at Rush Copley Memorial Hospital under her guidance for another 20 years. She certainly was a "great role model" inspiring us to be the best in whatever we decided to achieve, whether at work or venturing out and trying a new sport as she was very athletic. She was a true professional and a fun loving person. My favorite phrase from her was when she would exclaim "GEEZY - PEEZY!" Loved that!

yolanda barajas - April 28, 2014 at 07:35 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Irene M. Kramer.



April 28, 2014 at 11:55 AM

SK

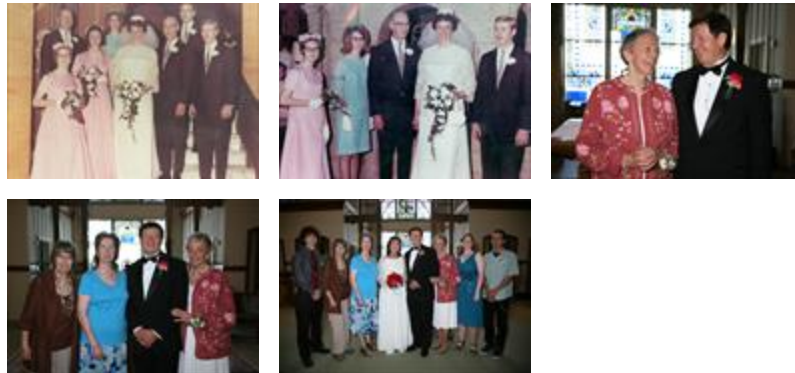
“ 9 files added to the tribute wall



Steve Kramer - April 27, 2014 at 08:18 PM

SK

“ 15 files added to the album Irene Kramer



Steve Kramer - April 27, 2014 at 06:33 PM

SA

“ 35 years ago Irene gave me my first job at Copley. 35 years later I still work for Copley. I can say that there has never been a chief tech who compared to Irene. She was the ultimate professional ! We worked as a team, had fun as a team and took pride in our department. I am so honored to have worked with Irene and to have had her friendship through the years. She will truly be missed by everyone who had the pleasure of knowing her.

Sandy Anderson - April 27, 2014 at 03:46 PM

GS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Gisele (Michaud) Sodell - April 27, 2014 at 09:22 AM

GS

Irene was my first boss at Copley Memorial Hospital AND my friend. She was a true inspiration in my life. She encouraged me to set higher goals, strive to do the best in my job and life, have integrity and pride in all I do. She was a woman of values and a wonderful role model. I'm so lucky to have had her in my life. Thank you Irene!

Gisele (Michaud) Sodell - April 27, 2014 at 09:27 AM

LC

“ *Your mom was the head of the x-ray department at Copley Hospital when I was training to be an x-ray tech. She was a very kind lady, who was very patient with her students. She had a lovely smile and a great sense of humor. I am so sorry for your loss.*

Linda (Feltas) Campen

Linda Campen - April 27, 2014 at 07:02 AM



“ *Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Irene M. Kramer.*



April 25, 2014 at 01:38 PM

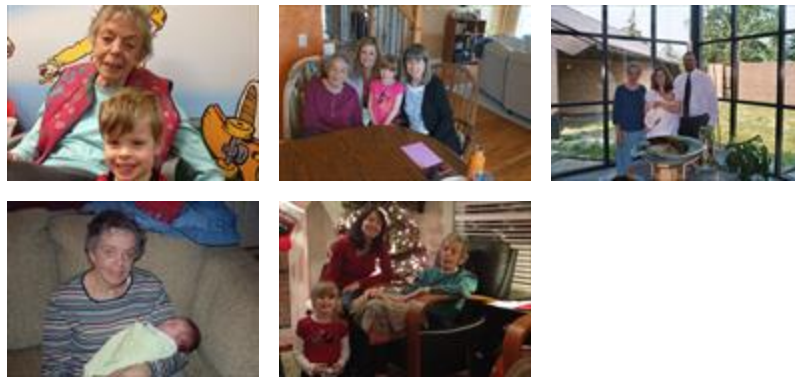
EM

“ Grandma,

You were truly one of a kind. You were such a special woman and a wonderful role model to us all. You truly showed others compassion and love. I will miss so many moments, but I will miss our talks about life the most! I miss you dearly.

Love you so much!

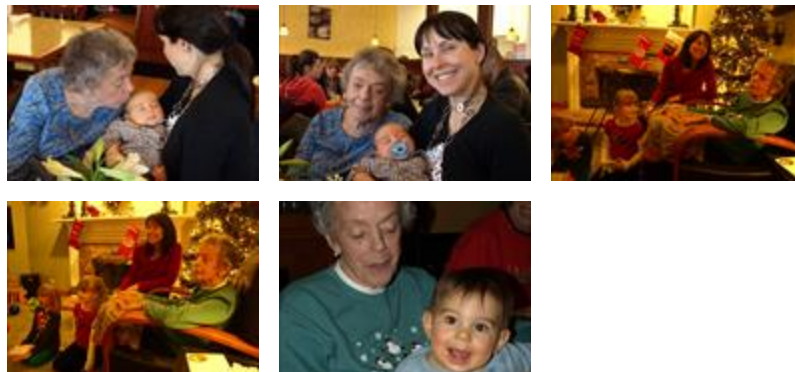
Ed, Rachel, Avery, and Zack Michels



Ed Michels - April 24, 2014 at 11:47 PM

GM

“ 18 files added to the album Irene Kramer



Ginger Michels - April 23, 2014 at 10:31 PM

CM

“ I always remember "Cousin Irene" as a very happy and positive person. May she rest in peace.

Cathy Mahoney

Cathy Mahoney - April 23, 2014 at 02:17 PM

RK

“ We will miss Aunt Irene. She always had a smile for everyone. She leaves a legacy of love behind.

Ron and Ellen Kramer

Ronald Kramer - April 23, 2014 at 12:42 PM

DK

“ We dearly loved our Aunt Irene! She was always so lively and full of life, and will be forever remembered as a blessing from God to all who knew her. Our sincere condolences to her loving children, Steve, Karen and Mary Sue.

Don and Nikki Kramer

Don Kramer - April 23, 2014 at 11:24 AM

EK

“ irene was such a joy. She always had a good word to say and a smile on her face. We were blessed to have known her.

Ed & Helena Kies

Ed & Helena Kies - April 23, 2014 at 07:23 AM



“ *We love you Grandma! We all know you and grandpa are sitting back and smiling down on all of us! We miss you lots and love you more!*

Love,

Steven, Jaime and Aurora.

Steven Kramer - April 22, 2014 at 05:57 PM

JB

Jackie Rapchak Bercik

Jackie Rapchak Bercik - April 23, 2014 at 09:07 AM

JB

Loved Irene!!! She was one my favorite cousins. Our prayers & sympathy goes out to her family!!! Jsckie Bercik

Jackie Rapchak Bercik - April 23, 2014 at 09:10 AM

DD

Thoughts and Prayers go out to the family in this difficult time. Keith, Deborah Dieter and family.

Deborah Hite Dieter - April 23, 2014 at 12:05 PM