



## Ruth E. Howard

September 29, 1932 - February 15, 2023

Ruth Evelyn Howard, 90, of Walkerton passed away on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at home. She was born in Magoffin County, Kentucky to the late Willie and Minnie Allen.

Ruth lived in the area most of her life. On November 11, 1950 in LaPorte, Indiana, she married Glenn Howard, who preceded her in death. They later renewed their vows in Las Vegas, Nevada on December 29, 1981.

Survivors include their two daughters, Karen (James) Haug of Plymouth and Debra (Daniel) Ecker of Walkerton; five grand children, Bridgette (Tony) Koselke of Wanatah, Jamie (Andy) Aker of Plymouth, Matthew Haug of Plymouth and Brandie Ecker and Nathan (Katie) Ecker, both of Walkerton; three great-grand children, Kaylee Koselke, Skyler Aker and Lexi Aker. She is also survived by three sisters: Eva Rice, Ruby Minix and Madge (Ron) Whickcar, all of Walkerton; and two brothers, Clifford (Kitty) Allen of Plymouth and William (Doris) Allen, Jr. of Bradenton, Florida. She is also survived by one sister-in-law, Anna Lee Allen of Plymouth. Ruth was preceded in death by four brothers, Grover Allen, Clarence Allen, Cleatis "Jack" Allen, and Warren Allen; four sisters: Mildred Bays, Margie Minix, Mazie Hiester, and Adgie Allen.

Ruth was known by many for her work at Hi-De-Ho Truckstop where she

worked for over thirty years as a waitress and manager. She previously worked at Pyro-Electric in Walkerton. Ruth enjoyed gardening, bowling, watching the Cubs, going to her grand kids and great-grandkids sporting events, and shopping with her daughters and granddaughter.

However, the most important thing to Ruth was her entire family. She loved her daughters, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. She also held a special place in her heart for her brothers and sisters.

Visiting hours will be from 11:00 to 1:00 EST, Monday, February 20, 2023, at the Rannells Funeral Chapel-Koontz Lake. Funeral services will be at 1:00 EST also on Monday, February 20 at the funeral home. Burial will follow at the Grovertown Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Koontz Lake Missionary Church.

# Cemetery Details

## Grovertown Cemetery

State Road 23  
Grovertown, IN 46531

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 20. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Rannells Funeral Home - Koontz Lake Chapel  
7984 N. State Road 23  
Walkerton, IN 46574  
(574) 586-2120  
rannellsfh@mchsi.com  
<https://www.rannellsfuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Service

FEB 20. 1:00 PM (ET)

Rannells Funeral Home - Koontz Lake Chapel  
7984 N. State Road 23  
Walkerton, IN 46574  
(574) 586-2120  
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## Burial

FEB **20** (CT)

Grovertown Cemetery  
State Road 23  
Grovertown, IN 46531

# Tribute Wall

KB

“ Karen our best wishes fou you and your family . Klyde & Kathy Blackman

Klyde Blackman - February 24, 2023 at 07:35 AM

RG

“ We are so sorry, about the loss, of your precious mother/grandmother.  
Love,  
Ren and Beverly Van Gilder



Ren and Beverly Van Gilder - February 18, 2023 at 02:04 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Ruth E. Howard.



February 17, 2023 at 11:24 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ruth E. Howard.



February 17, 2023 at 02:11 PM

PO

“ *Debbie, Karen & Family, so sorry to hear about your Mom. She was such a sweet lady and I enjoyed bowling with her. Thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*

Pam O'Dell - February 17, 2023 at 09:58 AM

DM

*She was my first boss at the Hi De Ho my thoughts and prayers are with her family she will be missed*

Debbie McCoige - February 17, 2023 at 04:02 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Ruth E. Howard.*



February 17, 2023 at 08:46 AM

MS

“ *Ruth was a wonderful lady. I loved working for her at the Hi-De-Ho. Always a smile on her face. My heart is with her family. Much love to you all.*

Marti Sult-Holland - February 16, 2023 at 06:01 PM

JP

“ *Dearest Karen & Debbie and family of Ruth Howard. It has been my pleasure to know Ruth through out the years. She was a hard working lady who loved her family dearly. Ruth Is now with our Lord Jesus Christ and may she rest in peace, Amen*

Janice Palkovich - February 16, 2023 at 09:21 AM