



## Dolores V. "Dee" Rau

July 31, 1924 - December 29, 2016

Rau, Dolores V., age 92, of Kettering, passed away peacefully on Thursday, December 29, 2016. Dolores, or "Dee", as she was known to family and friends, made her life's work her love for and devotion to her husband and children. A lifelong resident of the Dayton area, Dee graduated from St. Anthony Grade School and Julienne High School, after which she had a brief career as a secretary for a downtown law firm until she married and started a family. She and her husband, Joseph, were married in 1947, and enjoyed 53 years of marriage. Together, they had six children: Thomas (Pat), of Oakwood, Peggy Mays (Brian) and Stephen (JoAnne), of Centerville, Carole Neubauer (Don) and Michael, both of Kettering and Mary Hamburg (Mark) of Morrow. Dolores was a devout Catholic and member of St. Albert the Great Church for 64 years. Both she and her husband were active members of the parish throughout their lives. In their retirement years the two enjoyed traveling with each other and friends, and maintained their lifelong schedule of "Sunday drives" to visit family and to enjoy the countryside. She was preceded in death by her husband in 2000; parents, Ed and Leona (Wellmeier) Mauch; her sisters, Lois Thalheimer and Mary Lou Raiff. Survivors include all of her children and their spouses; 13 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren; sister, Virginia (Joe) Wade; brothers and sisters-in-law, Paul Rau, Fred and Helen Rau, and Martha Beall, and many nieces and nephews. She will also be fondly remembered by her very good neighbors of more than 50 years, Helen Dominic and Joe Wilhelm. The family will receive friends from 6-8 pm on Monday, January 2 at The Westbrock Funeral Home, 1712 Wayne Avenue in Dayton. Mass of Christian Burial will be Tuesday, January 3, at 12:00 noon at St. Albert the Great Catholic Church, 3303 Far Hills Avenue in Kettering. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to LifeCenter; 615 Elsinore Place, Suite 400 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202, for patients who receive organ transplants.

# Cemetery

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## Calvary Cemetery

1625 Calvary Drive  
Dayton, OH, 45409

# Events

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**JAN** **Visitation** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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Westbrock Funeral Home

1712 Wayne Avenue, Dayton, OH, US, 45410

**JAN** **Mass of Christian Burial** 12:00PM

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St. Albert the Great

3033 Far Hills Ave, Kettering, OH, US, 45429

# Comments

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“ This time of year always makes me think of my Aunt Dee, who passed away on Dec. 29. She was a gentle, gracious, loving and fun presence in my life and was so loved by so many. She raised a fantastic family who I'm so glad to still be close with. Always sending love to you, Aunt Dee!



Mary Lynn Thalheimer - December 23, 2020 at 02:31 AM

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“ Dear Tom and Pat,  
A former Dayton neighbor sent word of your Mother's passing. While we didn't know her, we do know the sadness that comes in losing a parent. We hope that good, loving memories will sustain you in that loss.  
Love,  
Loretta and Brad

Loretta Sowers - January 01, 2017 at 10:27 AM



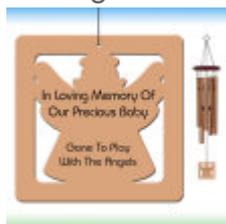
“ I am sorry for your loss. I remember my visits to the house. A very kind lady with a warm heart and a great smile. I am glad she lived a long and complete life.

alexander scholp - January 02, 2017 at 04:44 PM

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“ Angel Wind Chime - Bronze was purchased for the family of Dolores V. "Dee" Rau.



December 31, 2016 at 10:57 AM

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“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Dolores V. "Dee" Rau.



December 31, 2016 at 10:11 AM

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“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Dolores V. "Dee" Rau.



December 31, 2016 at 09:56 AM

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“ Dee was my beloved aunt and godmother. She was also my adversary when the Reds were playing the Cardinals, and often called me to tease me, depending on who was winning. She will always be on my heart when I'm watching a game! Love and prayers to all the family.

**Paula Brose** - December 30, 2016 at 10:18 PM



“ So sorry not to be present for this funeral, but I am leaving Dayton today. prayers and good memories. Nancy Wellmeier

**Nancy Wellmeier** - December 31, 2016 at 03:27 AM