

## **PRAYER SERVICE:**

Thursday, April 23, 2015 - 7:30 p.m.  
St. Augustine Roman Catholic Church, Humboldt, SK

**Presider:** Fr. Matthew Ramsay

**Cantor:** Marjorie Ramsay

**Pianist:** Marya Wickenhauser

**Scripture Reader:** Joan Molle

**Fellowship & Refreshments:** St. Augustine Parish Hall

## **FUNERAL MASS:**

Friday, April 24, 2015 - 10:30 a.m.  
St. Augustine Roman Catholic Church, Humboldt, SK

**Celebrant:** Fr. Matthew Ramsay

**Concelebrants:** Fr. Ephraim Mensah & Fr. Darryl Millette

**Music Ministry:** Douglas Ramsay & Irene's Grandchildren

**Crossbearer:** Owen Keller

**Scripture Readers:** James A. Ramsay & Kathleen Wickenhauser

**Intentions:** David Rybinski

**Giftbearers:** Amanda & Briana Morrison

## **Honor Guard:**

Members of the Humboldt & Watson C.W.L.

## **Honorary Pallbearers:**

"All those who shared in Irene's life."

## **Active Pallbearers:**

Timothy Keller - James B. Ramsay - David Ramsay - Aaron Morrison  
Andrew Ramsay - Joshua Wickenhauser - Jason Keller - Aidan Wickenhauser

**Memorial Luncheon:** St. Augustine Parish Hall

**Eulogist:** Luke Wickenhauser

## **INTERMENT:**

Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Cemetery - Watson, SK

## **Memorial Donations:**

Carlton Trail Pro Life,  
Quill Plains Centennial Lodge - Watson, or St. Joseph's Home - Saskatoon

Irene was born on November 1, 1921 to Joseph and Anna (nee Ackerman) Berthold near Carmel, Sk. She grew up on the family farm and attended Highgate School, just across the road from the Berthold farm, up to grade 9. When she was 14 her family moved to Naicam, Sk. in a caboose pulled by horses, Nellie and Tom. Irene finished high school at the Ursuline Academy in Bruno in 1949. She continued her education in Saskatoon at Normal School where she became a teacher.

Irene taught at country schools, Early Dawn near Romance, Green Lawn near Naicam, St. James near Muenster, and at Watson Sacred Heart School. Irene met Herb when she taught in Romance. She always said "I took a crack at Romance at Early Dawn!" Irene and Herb were married October 25th, 1955 in Naicam. They made their home on the farm near Romance. There they raised 5 children: Melanie, Lana, Luke, Marilyn and Nadine. After Herb passed away in 1981, Irene remained on the farm until 1992 when she moved to Humboldt. In 2012 at age 91, Irene moved to Quill Plains Centennial Lodge in Watson. Irene spent her last month at St. Joseph's Home in Saskatoon. In Irene's words, in her youth, "I always had time for skiing, biking, country school dances and knitting (especially for the soldiers during World War II), but playing softball was always my heart throb!" She played softball into her adult life in Saskatoon for the Vanguards and for the Spartans, a provincial team. Later she played for teams in Naicam and Watson. She also loved the outdoors, gardening, picking berries and living on the farm. Irene enjoyed visiting the sick in the hospital and senior homes as well as her siblings and friends. She was a wonderful hostess and loved to serve anyone who entered her doors! Her faith in God permeated her whole life, evident in her involvement in many ministries of the Church and CWL positions. Her faith was a huge inspiration and example to her children and grandchildren. She always put her family first, spending many wonderful times with her children and grandchildren. She enjoyed playing games, visiting and reading to her grandchildren whenever she could. Irene was always ready to help out the family whenever she was needed. You could always depend on her for anything! Those who knew Irene have their special memories of a fun-loving, faith-filled and exceptional person.

Irene will be lovingly remembered by her four daughters, one son, 20 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren: **Melanie** (James) Ramsay and family, **James** (Vicky) and children **Jonas** and **Calder**, **Fr. Matthew, Marjorie, Jillian, Julia**; **Lana**(Douglas)Ramsay and family, **David, Alyssa, Andrew, Jessica**; **Luke** (Kathleen) Wickenhauser and family, **Marya** and son **Kael, Joshua, Aidan**; **Marilyn** and children **Aaron, Amanda** and children **Hayden** and **Grayson, Briana**; **Nadine** (Timothy) and family, **Amy**(David) Rybinski, **Hannah, Jason, Natalie, Owen**. Irene is survived by one sister-in-law, Eileen (Edwin) Berthold; and by numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her parents, Joseph and Anna; husband, Herb (1981); sisters-and-brothers-in-law, Mary (August) Koett, Veronica Berthold, Sr. Rita Berthold, Rita (Stan)Warden, Marcella(Andy) Weninger: brothers-and-sisters-in-law: Frank (Irene), Otto(Marianne), Edwin; two brothers in infancy; and by nephews and nieces: Lyle Koett, Gilbert Berthold, Denis Berthold, Lorine Strobbe, Rita (Norman) Fuller.



## ***Mother's Rosary***

***Your life was like a rosary, Mom,  
Each day lived like a prayer,  
The joyful, luminous and sorrowful  
And the glorious we all shared.  
So as we travel on through life  
Send God's blessings down to guide us,  
We'll be faithful to our rosary  
As a family chain that binds us.***

***I am someone Jesus loves;  
I am someone Mary loves.  
I am safe in the arms of Jesus;  
I am safe in the arms of Mary.  
And I rejoice in the love of Jesus;  
And I rejoice in the love of Mary.***

***Amen, amen, amen.***

### **APPRECIATION**

The family wishes to express their gratitude for your kindness evidenced in thought and deed, and for your attendance at the funeral service.

**SCHULER-LEFEBVRE FUNERAL CHAPEL**  
Humboldt, Saskatchewan  
"Dedicated to those we serve."

*In Loving Memory Of*



*Irene Anna Mary Wickenhauser*

### **BORN:**

November 1, 1921  
At home on the family farm  
Carmel District, Saskatchewan

### **PASSED AWAY:**

April 16, 2015  
St. Joseph's Home  
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

### **AGE:**

93 Years