



Darlene Zernia

October 11, 1934 - November 3, 2024

Darlene passed away at age 90 on November 3, 2024, at Patriot Place in Berlin with her family and friends by her side. She was the daughter of William and Viola (Ely) Schonasky.

Darlene was a loving wife, mother, grandma, great-grandma and great-great grandma. She loved to spend time with family, putting puzzles together, going dancing, playing cards and taking trips. She was a homemaker. She also harvested potatoes and worked at Del Monte green beans.

Darlene is survived by a brother, Donald Schonasky; her children, Wayne Ristau, Oregon, WI; John (Linda) Ristau, Libby, MT; Carl Ristau, Wisconsin Rapids, WI; Robert Ristau, Berlin, WI; Raymond (Janet) Ristau, Redgranite, WI; Nancy (Kevin) Sennott, Saunemin, IL; Amy Hoover, Waupaca, WI; Jean Barzano, Berlin, WI; 26 Grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her first husband, Armond Ristau; her second husband, Wallace Zernia; son Donald (Sylvia) Ristau; two brothers, William Schonasky and George Schonasky; a sister, Shirley (Robert) Hayes; sister-in-law, Virginia Schonasky; daughter-in-law, Colleen Ristau; a great-granddaughter and a great-grandson.

She will be greatly missed by many people. Rest in peace, we will always love you and keep you in our hearts.

Family and friends may visit with the family on Saturday, November 16, 2024, from 10-11:00 am at the Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home of Berlin.

A memorial service will follow at 11:00 am with Pastor Joel Robertson officiating. A luncheon and a time for sharing will follow in the funeral home family center.

Inurnment will take place at the Pleasant Hill Cemetery in Coloma on Monday, November 18, 2024 at 10:00 am

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Hill Cemetery

Coloma, WI

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home
116 S Adams Ave
Berlin, WI 54923
(920) 361-2050

Memorial Service

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Inurnment

NOV **18**. 10:00 AM.

Pleasant Hill Cemetery
Coloma, WI

Tribute Wall

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“ I met Darlene and Wally at country dance in Big Flats 30 years ago. We'd chat every 1st Sunday of the month at country jam. We became good friends and she was a good customer of mine at Plainfield truck stop. Rest in peace lovely lady. You've earned the rest. We'll miss you.

Deb Timmons - November 10, 2024 at 07:18 PM

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Dear Ray & Janet, & Family,
It grieved me to hear of your Mother passing away, and you are in my thoughts and prayers as you go through this time of sorrow. I pray for our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ to Comfort and Strengthen You, in His Love and Tender Mercies. Take Care and God Bless!!!
Love In Christ Jesus,
Your Friend, Lennard A. Wilson

Lennard A. Wilson - November 14, 2024 at 10:18 PM