



Leona Mae Koch

April 10, 1928 - February 14, 2017

Leona Mae Baumgartner Koch, age 88, of Morrilton, passed away Tuesday, February 14, 2017. Leona was born April 10, 1928 in Scranton, Arkansas, raised by devoted parents, whom she adored Ben Baumgartner and Tina Engel Baumgartner. She learned lifelong values of Christ like living for others, hard work and unwavering ties for family. After graduation from Scranton High School she married Bernard in 1949, and coming to Morrilton in 1950 with no personal connections, they were easily accepted into the local and Sacred Heart communities and together built Koch's Body Shop which opened in 1964, where Leona served as owner and office manager for over 50 years. She fervently attended daily and Sunday Masses and Adoration. She was the widow of Bernard Koch after 55 years of marriage. She was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Morrilton Adelaide Club, and Sacred Heart Alter Society, along with enjoying cooking, sewing, decorating projects. She lived her life with unconditional love and devotion to her children and grandchildren. , putting the needs of others above her own needs.

She is survived by her children, Karen (Bill) Graham of Van Buren, Gary Koch of Morrilton, Greg (Cindy) Koch of Morrilton, Stan Koch of Morrilton, Cindy (Chuck) Davidson of Conway, and Kim (John) Glassford of Little Rock; seven grandchildren; four great grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews, extended friends and family. Other than her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her son, Glen Koch, daughter, Yvonne Koch, brother, George Tencleve, and sister, Ruth Peterson.

Funeral Mass will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday, February 18, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Father Jack Harris officiating. Burial will be at Sacred Heart Cemetery by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton. Rosary will be 6:30 p.m. Friday, at the funeral home with visitation following. Memorials can be made to Sacred Heart Capitol Campaign.

Tribute Wall



“ *Leona Mae Koch*

January 30, 2023 at 02:08 AM



“ *Prayers for the family.*

Robert Stobaugh - June 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for the loss of your beautiful Mother! Prayers are with your family!*

Pam Boone - June 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM



“ *So very sorry about the loss of your sweet mom. Sending love, thoughts and prayers.*

Mary Ellen Kordsmeier - June 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM



“ *John, Kim and Family, I am so sorry for your loss. Please know that you all are in my prayers now, and will be in my prayers during the difficult days ahead. May God bless and comfort each of you. Marilyn Arendall*

Marilyn Arendall - June 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM

LL

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your Mom she was such a great lady she always had a smile for you every time she saw you. She will be greatly missed by the Sacred Heart Community. I pray that God will give you all comfort.

Louise Lentz - June 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM

JE

“ My deepest condolences go out to you and I will keep you all in my prayers.

Jennifer Evans - June 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM

SH

“ So sorry for your lost, a great lady.

Steve & Joanie Hart - June 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM

DT

“ Cindy your Mother and I go way back to the good old days in Morrilton. She was such a classy lady and everyone loved her. She will be missed .

Dorothy Thines - June 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM

PT

“ I have always been amazed by your family and how close you were to each other. Your mom and dad were such respectable, good people and I can see their values carried down to your lives and even those of your children. God bless you all during this time and in the days that follow.

Pam Tamburo - June 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM

HS

“ Always considered her the best of friends Yea

Henry "Hank" Schulte - June 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM

MF

“ Dear Family, Your Mom was a beautiful, gracious, & treasured friend to me & Norbert. God's blessings & comfort be with you. My sympathy, love, & prayers are with you,

Martha Fougrousse - June 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM

DD

“ Sorry, for your lost, a very nice lady.

Don V. Dixon - June 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM

MP

“ My deepest sympathy.

Monique Pedersen - June 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM

RT

“ So sorry for the loss of ur mother

Rhonda Tanner - June 29, 2018 at 06:05 PM