



Mrs. Ruby Nagle of Hoffman Estates

July 26, 1924 - March 13, 2024

Ruby Nagle, nee Madsen, 99, of Hoffman Estates, Illinois.

Ruby Nagle was a very strong, independent woman. Growing up in a rural area, with her parents working a farm, she was used to hard work at a young age. While still in her teens, she obtained her first work out of the home working in an ice plant. Those were the days that some people were still using “ice boxes,” prior to electric refrigerators and freezers becoming widely available.

Of course, she was of age when World War II was going on and she and some of her high school girl friends lived together in an apartment which they called the “Honey Hut.” The girls wrote to some of their male high school classmates during the War to keep their spirits up. During the War, Ruby worked as a timekeeper at the local Munitions plant which was producing 33 mm ammunition for the War. This was a time when rationing took place and most people were involved in the War effort in some way.

Ruby began correspondence with Conrad Nagle, who she knew from Momence High School. They seemed to hit it off and, ultimately, when Conrad, “Connie” returned from the War, they were married on March 3, 1946. Ten months later, their first child, Kathy was born. Ruby then dedicated her life to her family and seven years later, Barry was born. Ruby loved to tell the

story of how she didn't think they could have any more children, and lo and behold when Barry came along they were both so happy. Ruby also said, with chagrin, that her husband Connie was SO thrilled to have a son that he gave candy to the nurses! And what did they have to do with it?

When Barry was in second grade, she decided to go back to work and worked at Sears Roebuck in the "cash cage." Remember those? She was always good with money. Later she obtained a job as a teller at Kankakee Federal Savings and Loan and continued her banking career for many years.

Ruby and Connie enjoyed retirement years, but only until 1994 when Connie died at the age of 70. Ruby became a relatively young widow and kept herself busy, living alone, working, golfing and playing bridge. Unfortunately, her daughter Kathy died at the age of 59, leaving Ruby to grieve yet another family member. She enjoyed her townhome in Trotters Chase where she was active in Clubhouse activities. Ruby took a couple of European trips including one with Barry and Jaye to Denmark which was very special, as her heritage is 100% Danish (her mother was a Jensen and her father was a Madsen) and she had never been to her home country. She golfed until she was 90 years old, and even when her vision began to fail a bit, she had Barry put white tape on the end of her club so she could see it for her swing.

Ruby continued to live independently in her home in Bourbonnais until 2018, at the age of 93, when she moved up to an independent senior apartment in Hoffman Estates to be near Barry and Jaye. She remained active at Brookdale and enjoyed all the social activities, music and games. She loved to play Bingo, Po-Ke-No, the horse race game and pinochle. Unfortunately, her vision did not allow her to play bridge anymore due to not being able to see the dummy hand across the table. But she involved herself in many things at Brookdale from 2018 until 2023.

Ruby celebrated all of the holidays with her family, which now included the grandchildren and great grandchildren. The photo on this obituary was taken at a birthday lunch on her 99th birthday and you can see that she was extremely vibrant. Unfortunately, she took a small fall right before Thanksgiving in 2023, which ended her up in the hospital with a small fracture on her hip. The rehabilitation continued, but it became increasingly difficult for her. As is the case with many nonagenarians — with her age now well into her 99th year — her recovery stalled. She moved back to her apartment with an exceptional caregiver in early January who provided excellent palliative care. She died peacefully at home which is where she wanted to be. We will miss her immensely, but are grateful for the many wonderful years we have had with her!!

Loving mother of Barry (Jaye) Nagle and the late Kathy Nagle; devoted grandmother of Kelly (Sam) Mollenhauer and Laura (Jason) Fitzgerald; cherished great grandmother of Gavin, Ethan, Harrison and Reece; fond sister of the late Glen (the late Evelyn) Madsen; beloved aunt of the late Brian Madsen.

Visitation will be on Tuesday, March 19, 2024 from 4:00 P.M to 8:00 P.M. at Morizzo Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2550 Hassell Road, (Northeast corner at Barrington Road), Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60169. Family and friends will meet on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home, 295 Main St, Bourbonnais, IL 60914 for a visitation from 10:00 A.M. till time of service at 11:00 A.M. Interment will follow at Momence Cemetery in Momence, IL.

If you wish to make a donation in lieu of flowers, the family is suggesting donations may be made to:

Asbury United Methodist Church, 196 S. Harrison Ave #1, Kankakee, IL

60901. This is where Ruby and family attended services throughout her life in Bourbonnais.

The family has created this Life Tributes page to make it easy to share your memories, photos, and videos. For those of you that would have attended services and would like to express your condolences please click on the "Share A Memory" link above and you can leave a message. If you wish to send a Sympathy Card, please feel free to send it to Morizzo Funeral Home, 2550 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois, 60169 c/o the Family; we will gladly forward it on to the family.

For further information please contact the Morizzo Funeral Directors at 847.752.6444. Arrangements entrusted to Morizzo Funeral Home and Cremation Services, at 2550 West Hassell Road, (Northeast corner at Barrington Road), Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60169.

Cemetery Details

Momence Cemetery - Momence, IL

10000 East 400N Road
Momence, IL 60954

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Morizzo Family Funeral Home, Cremation Services, and Cemetery Memorials
2550 Hassell Road
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169
(847) 752-6444
ross@morizzofuneralhome.com
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Visitation

MAR 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914

Funeral Service

MAR **20**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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March 16, 2024 at 08:55 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ruby Nagle of Hoffman Estates.



March 15, 2024 at 01:07 PM