



## Mary J. Keys

April 2, 1934 - January 20, 2019

Mary Joanne Keys (1934-2019)

CEDAR FALLS – Mary Joanne Keys, 84, of Cedar Falls, Iowa, died Sunday, January 20, 2019 at the Western Home Communities – Deery Suites.

She was born April 2, 1934 in Chanute, Kansas, daughter of Milton and Lena (Stich) Greve. She married William M. Keys on May 4, 1953, in Chanute.

Mary graduated from Altoona (Kansas) High School in 1951. She was employed as a phone operator with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company in Chanute and retired in 2010 as Office Coordinator after 25 years of service at the University of Northern Iowa. She served as Past President of the Waterloo Deanery Council of Catholic Women (ACCW); served at St. Patrick Church in Cedar Falls as School Board Member and CCD teacher. She was a member of Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Waterloo.

Survived by: her husband, William of Cedar Falls; nine children: Teresa (Doug) Hall of Brookings, SD, Mary Catherine (Perry) Goodman, Jane (Merv) Sires, and Margaret (Jeff) Rae, all of Cedar Falls, Michael (Kathy) Keys of Waterloo, Milissa (Rick) Wright of Janesville, BethAnne (Craig) Briney of Winterset, Karl (Shelli) Keys of Martelle, Stephen (Andrea) Keys of Waterloo; 32 grandchildren; 28 great grandchildren; one brother, Frank Greve of Thayer,

KS; one sister, Geneva (Don) Wilkes of Derby, KS; three nieces; six nephews; and long time friend, Maxine Veatch of Cedar Falls.

Preceded in death by: a son, Joseph William Keys; a brother, George Milton Greve, Jr. and infant brother, Charles Francis Greve; a sister-in-law, Betty Greve; brother-in-law, Don Wilkes; a nephew; and one grandson.

Mass of Christian Burial: 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 23rd at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Waterloo with burial in Greenwood Cemetery, Cedar Falls. Visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan 22nd at the church, where there will be a 4 p.m. Rosary and 7 p.m. Vigil. Visitation also for one hour prior to Mass. Richardson Funeral Service is assisting the family.

Memorials may be directed to the church or Birthright of Cedar Falls.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenwood Cemetery

the end of College St, north of First Street  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
(319) 273-8628

# Previous Events

## Rosary

JAN 22. 4:00 PM (CT)

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church  
650 Stephan Avenue  
Waterloo, IA 50701

## Visitation

JAN 22. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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## Vigil

JAN 22. 7:00 PM (CT)

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church  
650 Stephan Avenue  
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## Mass of Christian Burial

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JAN 23. 11:00 AM (CT)

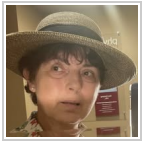
Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church  
650 Stephan Avenue  
Waterloo, IA 50701

# Tribute Wall



“ *To Milissa and family  
My heart goes out to you in your time of sorrow.  
Jeff Heisterkamp*

Jeff Heisterkamp - January 24, 2019 at 05:46 AM



“ *Mary made this world a better place for so many who were blessed  
to be part of her life on this world...*

Albena Yordanova - January 22, 2019 at 08:58 PM



“ *Mary always welcomed me into her home when I was growing up  
with some of her kids, even my party till ya puke days met with a  
blanket and a couch, and a small lecture, kind wise, tolerant lady,  
great memories*

Jeff Ryan - January 22, 2019 at 08:04 PM



“ *To Bill, sorry for your loss.  
John, Debra, Paulette Jacobsmeier.*

John jacobsmeier - January 22, 2019 at 04:22 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the  
family of Mary J. Keys.*



January 22, 2019 at 03:16 PM

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“ *Albena and Pavleena purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mary J. Keys.*



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**Albena and Pavleena** - January 22, 2019 at 12:06 PM

KP

“ *Mary has always held a special place in my heart. As my first supervisor at UNI 28+ years ago, Mary's infectious smile and genuine care for others will always be remembered. Rest in peace my friend, rest in peace.*

*Karen Paulsen*

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**Karen Paulsen** - January 22, 2019 at 08:55 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary J. Keys.*



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January 21, 2019 at 08:03 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary J. Keys.*



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January 21, 2019 at 06:44 PM

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“ Steve and April Brandt purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mary J. Keys.



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**Steve and April Brandt** - January 21, 2019 at 05:18 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary J. Keys.



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January 21, 2019 at 03:40 PM