



## Esther Marie Sorensen

April 4, 1926 - December 22, 2016

Esther Marie Sorensen  
(nee Residori)

Age 90, of South Wilmington, IL, passed away Thursday, December 22, 2016 at her home. Born April 4, 1926 in South Wilmington, IL to the late Attilio and Clordina (nee Carnieli) Residori. Esther previously worked at Grinchuck's Pants Factory in Braidwood, IL, the Egg Packaging Plant in Gardner, IL, and was a School Bus Driver. Member of the St. Lawrence Catholic Church in South Wilmington and their Regina Club. She enjoyed crocheting and spending time with her family.

Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Randy and Robin Sorensen of South Wilmington; daughter, Linda (late Billy) Carmack of Gardner, IL; five grandchildren, Thomas Carmack, Kellie (John) Sippel, Attilio (Nina) Sorensen, Brandon (Melanie) Sorensen, and Harmony (Frank) Labanowski; fourteen great grandchildren; five great great grandchildren; sister, Delores Phillips of Morris, IL; and nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Wayne Sorensen; three brothers, Zero Residori, Art Residori, and Louis Residori; and two sisters, Kay Procenti and Italia "Ethel" Residori.

Funeral services will be from the R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. &

Crematory, South Wilmington Chapel, Tuesday, December 27, 2106 at 9:45 a.m. to the St. Lawrence Catholic Church in South Wilmington for Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. Rev. Stanley Drewniak will officiate.

Interment will follow in Braceville-Gardner Cemetery in Braceville, IL.

The visitation will be Monday, December 26, from 4-8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in her name may be directed to the Joliet Area Community Area Hospice or the South Wilmington Fire Department. For more information and to visit her online guestbook, please log on to [www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com) or find us on Facebook at R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes.

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2nd & Lemmon, 815-458-2336  
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# Cemetery Details

## Braceville-Gardner Cemetery

7295 W. Braceville Road  
Braceville, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **26**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home-South Wilmington Chapel  
175 S. Lemmon St.  
South Wilmington, IL 60474  
(815) 458-2336  
[rwpattersonfh@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rwpattersonfh@sbcglobal.net)  
<http://www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com>

## Service

DEC **27**. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (CT)

St. Lawrence Catholic Church  
165 Rice St.  
South Wilmington, IL 60474  
(815) 237-2230

# Tribute Wall

FM

“ *In our eyes Esther was one great lady. She was the first and about the only woman in So. Willy who extended a hand of sincere friendship upon our move to the village back in 1968. We were "outsiders" from Gardner, but to Esther we were welcomed with open arms. She has always held a special place in our hearts and to this day, we try to pass her welcoming smile on, whenever we have new people move into our neighborhood here in Arkansas. We will miss seeing her at Party In The Park this year, but she will be there in spirit. Love and sympathy to her whole family, she will be missed by all.*

*Faye & Bill Malek*

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**Faye & Bill Malek** - January 11, 2017 at 12:35 AM

TF

“ *The Simms Family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Esther Marie Sorensen.*



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**The Simms Family** - December 26, 2016 at 01:03 PM

TC

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**tom carmack** - December 24, 2016 at 01:34 AM

DB

“ Don Berglund lit a candle in memory of Esther Marie Sorensen



Don Berglund - December 23, 2016 at 01:31 PM

Cassie  
N Jared  
Weidner

“ I loved visiting with my Nana (Helen Stella) and Nono (Fred Stella). During the summer and helping make ravioli. The last visit my kids will never forget getting as much Pepsi as they wanted. I always think of her when I use the dish scrubbies she made. Or when I look at the Doily Weidner that she made me for a wedding gift. I know that my Mom, Nana, Nono, and Uncle Wayne are welcoming her with open arms. Lot's of love and support to my family. Wish I could be there to comfort you.



Cassie N Jared Weidner - December 23, 2016 at 08:24 AM

LA

“ Whenever I pick up my crochet hook to work on a project, I will always think of Aunt Esther and her amazing crocheting skill that created beautiful things for so many. Hugs to all.

LaDonna Atchinson - December 22, 2016 at 11:12 PM

EC

“ Thoughts & prayers for Randy, Robin, Linda Lou, and family. I have fun memories of aunt Esther. We all loved when she and the family would visit us in Texas and she always welcomed us into her home when we'd visit her. My heart is heavy, but I feel so Blessed to be a part of this family. She was a fun, adventurous, and loving aunt.  
Love, Ethel Residori Carter

Ethel Residori Carter - December 22, 2016 at 10:21 PM

BS

“ Bob And Sue Suddick lit a candle in memory of Esther Marie Sorensen



Bob and Sue Suddick - December 22, 2016 at 09:35 PM

SB

“ Sheryl Barbosa lit a candle in memory of Esther Marie Sorensen



Sheryl Barbosa - December 22, 2016 at 05:27 PM

SB

Thoughts and prayers for your family. Heaven gained an Angel when your loved one passed away... And although they may have left this earth, they'll be with you every day... So may you find some comfort in knowing they will always be a part... Of every moment in your life because you now have an Angel in your heart. Deepest Sympathy for your Loss.

Sheryl Barbosa - December 22, 2016 at 05:31 PM