



## Rosalie L. Stava

March 4, 1948 - December 30, 2024

Rosalie L. Stava 76 of Wilmington, IL. Passed away to be with the Lord on December 30, 2024, while fighting stage IV cancer.

Born in Chicago, IL on March 4, 1948. Mother to three children Joseph (Marypat), Jason (Laura), Joellen (Mike).

Grandmother to Elizabeth (Jeff) and Nicholas. Great-Grandmother to Grace & Matthew.

Life as we knew it, will never be the same. Losing you is a wound that will never heal. Everyone that she met loved her. Not just a mother, Grandma and Great-Grandma but also a bonus Mom/Grandma to many. We lost our mother, but heaven gained an angel. Joellen/Mike.

Rosie's greatest joy in her life was nurturing her children. The love, caring, and kindness of her family, friends and the Lord has kept her going through not only cancer treatments, but in life as well Rosie loved crocheting, knitting, and crafting, but most of all she loved gardening both vegetables and flowers. She thrived when her garden flourished. While raising her children she discovered her love for camping, fishing, and hunting. Anyone that knew her knows she did things from the heart for others, never for herself. Joe, Marypat.

It is very hard to say goodbye to Rosie she was such a huge part in our lives and our hearts. Her presence touched everyone she encountered in a heartfelt way. Rosie loved gardening and hers was beautiful. I think it was her sanctuary with God. We will always cherish our time together and wisdom we

learned from our family rock, Rosie. Our family game nights, vacation trips and everyday spending time together whether it was fishing, shopping, watching movies or cooking are etched in our hearts. Rosie will forever be a light in our lives loved and truly missed. Jason, Laura, and Nicholas  
Our Grandma/Grammie was one of a kind, the best there was. All the memories we have, the values and lessons taught, will be etched in our innermost being, and something we will carry with us and cherish forever. Of all the things she ever taught us was to always put God first. To enjoy and appreciate the gift of today and everyday that he has entrusted us with. To trust in him in any and every circumstance, and every season of life. She truly blessed every life she touched and will be deeply missed. Her memory is one we will carry with us all the days of our life. Elizabeth, Jeff, Grace and Matthew.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Memorial visitation will be held at R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory on Thursday, January 9, 2025 beginning at 4:00 until time of memorial service beginning at 7:00 pm.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

JAN 9. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home  
401 East Main St.  
Braidwood, IL 60408  
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## Memorial Service

JAN 9. 7:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

SB

“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to Rosalie’s family. I wish we would’ve met under different circumstances, but Rosalie was my favorite patient, an absolute gem. We never quite knew what to expect when she came through the door, but guaranteed she would have staff (& patients) laughing out loud with her jokes, antics, feistiness, and her comments that would make the Drs cheeks redden.*

*Our Tuesdays just won’t be the same. Til we meet again Rosy, Roxanne, Stayva...all my love- Sarah B, RN*

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**Sarah Bohash** - January 09, 2025 at 05:38 PM



“ *Amy Pendley McGee lit a candle in memory of Rosalie Stava*



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**Amy Pendley McGee** - January 08, 2025 at 07:31 AM

CW

“ *Rosie was an absolute sweetheart and I know family meant everything to her. Praying that your wonderful memories of her bring you comfort during this difficult time. Sending love and prayers to you all.*

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**Corina Woby** - January 07, 2025 at 05:24 PM

AM

“ The McFarland family shares our heartfelt sorrow and sends all our love to the Stava Family. Rosie was an incredible soul and will be deeply missed by everyone who knew her. Her passion and zest for life are etched in my memory forever. She loved deeply and completely. I am so thankful she was able to visit with Jason, Nick and Laura recently.

Angela McFarland - January 07, 2025 at 09:52 AM

KT

“ Where do I begin, I met Rosie 30 years ago and became the best of friends. Her children are all precious to me, and still occasionally in contact. Rosie was a wonderful spiritual minded woman with an appreciation for life I don't know if I'll ever find. Although we hadn't talked in quite sometime. I will cherish her memory and all the happy fun times we shared between her, me, Janet Corso and Pat Land. You will be missed and we're loved by many my friend. Rest in Peace 😊

Kastine Tuttle - January 04, 2025 at 11:35 PM

TK

“ Our sympathies to Rosie's family, sorry to hear.  
Tom & Kandy

Tom @ Kandy - January 04, 2025 at 05:06 PM

LS

“ Praying for you all during this time. It's the most difficult thing to lose one's mother. I do find joy that my mom(Dawn) and Rosie are singing praise to the one true king and taking care of their gardens! Joellen, I love you so much! Lean on God during this time.



Lauren Swafford - January 04, 2025 at 12:49 PM

AR

“ Ella, Teddy & I miss you so much rose ! She was the funniest most blunt person I ever met ! She was definitely one of a kind ! She kept it real and told you what was on her mind. She was more than just neighbor to us ❤️ the building isn't the same without the angel ! We love you rose ! Love “your girls” the lesbians 😭❤️🙏



alysa reyna - January 04, 2025 at 11:06 AM

SB

“ All of my love to the family. Rosie was definitely one in a million. She always made me laugh.



Stacey Bryl - January 03, 2025 at 08:10 PM

SV

“ Susan Vining lit a candle in memory of Rosalie Stava



Susan Vining - January 03, 2025 at 03:40 PM

JH

“ Joe Hanson lit a candle in memory of Rosalie Stava



Joe Hanson - January 03, 2025 at 11:53 AM

JH

“ My god I’m so sorry to hear of her passing and battle with cancer. I remember her as a really good person and friend. My name is Joe Hanson .

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**Joe Hanson** - January 03, 2025 at 11:52 AM

PP

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. Rosie was such a blessing to me and my family for many years, she was the first person to befriend our family when we moved to Worth in the late 70’s and remained friends til her passing. She was such a supportive and encouraging person to all she knew. The love and kindness she showed to me personally has always been cherished. I am so thankful for the many times she held me when my heart was broken or I felt lost. My daughter Chloe and I extend our condolences to Rosie’s family. I love you all so very much. “Hey Rosie, ask Mom and Dad for some sugar”

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**Patty Pendley** - January 02, 2025 at 03:37 PM

CT

“ Rosie was one of a kind and I will sure miss her. She was an amazing friend, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. I will sure miss our visits and our talks about our shared passion for gardening, and her love for her entire family blood or not! Heaven sure gained a beautiful angel and I know she's up there with our other angels watching over us! Much love to the entire family  
Candice

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**Candice Thomas** - January 02, 2025 at 03:08 PM

SG

“ *sandy grant lit a candle in memory of Rosalie Stava*



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**sandy grant** - January 02, 2025 at 12:56 PM

LS

“ *I love Rosie as my mother not just my mother in law. We were even best friends really. We share a son and husband that some how pulled us together to share our lives in good and bad times.As a great saying goes. " A limb has fallen from our family tree, that says grieve not for me remember the Best Times, the laughter, and the songs, but most of all remember the good life. All my love, Laura*

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**Laura Stava** - January 02, 2025 at 10:49 AM

HF

“ *Snookie and I will miss you so much. You are one of my great loves. It's definitely not going to be the same down here without you. With all our love Rosie. May you rest in peace.*

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**Harvey T Ferguson** - January 02, 2025 at 10:23 AM

LH

“ My deepest sympathies to the families of Rosie. She was definitely a bonus mom to me and my siblings, a great friend and neighbor to my parents who are no longer with us. I’m absolutely certain that Emmitt and Dawn were there to greet her as she left this world to be with our lord and savior. I can only imagine what a wonderful reunion that must have been. They’re sharing stories and having coffee which is what they did so often. She was a very wise woman with many life lessons to share and wise words that I myself have lived by. I love you Rosie and will miss you very much.

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**Lisa Hendon** - January 02, 2025 at 10:22 AM