



Esther Holle

July 23, 1925 - May 29, 2017

Esther Louise Holle, 91, of Pierce City, passed away May 29, at Lacoba Nursing Home in Monett, following a long illness. She was born July 23, 1925, to Hugo F. Jung and Matilda Koeneman Jung, in rural Pierce City. She had a twin brother, Ervin Louis Jung. She was united in marriage to Marvin F. Holle on June 15, 1947, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Freistatt. Upon her marriage, she joined Trinity Lutheran Church. Prior to her marriage, she was a member of Evangelical Zion Church, northwest of Freistatt, where she taught Sunday School. She said she always liked attending church. In her later years, she would help the Dorcas Ladies Aid with their quilt-making. Esther was attentive in sending greeting cards to people.

When Esther and her brother, Ervin, were about 12 years old, they picked strawberries for their neighbors, Marvin's parents. Besides paying wages to Esther and Ervin, the Holles would give them the strawberry culls and their mother would make strawberry shortcake, which they dearly loved. Esther was a housewife and helped her husband on the farm. She enjoyed the cows, calves and her chickens. Her dogs, she loved dearly, and liked the farm cats.

For a number of years, she worked part-time as a waitress at Nickerson Farms Restaurant, and then at Safari Restaurant. She also cleaned houses for a few clients, with whom she became great friends. Esther had been retired for 25 years. Esther's family and friends enjoyed her good cooking.

Each week, she made homemade yeast bread and was especially known for her rolls and pies. Each year, she tended a large garden and canned her produce. A family favorite dish was her canned farm-raised beef.

In her notebook, she had written that her favorite place to live was on the farm. Springtime, she wrote, was her favorite time of year because it brought lots of birds, baby animals, spring flowers, buds on trees, green grass and was the time to prepare the garden and fields for planting.

A special remembrance and gratitude to a close family friend, Michael Williams, who helped a great deal with Esther's care in her declining years. He had been a devout and respectful caretaker during her failing health. Because of his dedicated and dependable help, Esther was able to reside in her home until the age of 89 years and nearly nine months. At that time, an abrupt decline in her health necessitated her being hospitalized and then taking residence at Lacoba Homes. Also, a special thanks to a dear, long-time, family friends, Mike and Cindy Yang, of Kansas City, who bestowed many phone calls, visits and gifts upon Esther over the years. Gratitude also to Rev. Ken Lampe and Rev. Jake Sletten for their visits, prayers and administration of communion to Esther while she was confined; to Hospice Compassus staff, especially Nurse Bill, with whom Esther loved to visit; to Lacoba Homes and to all others for their calls, cards and visits.

In addition to her parents, her mother-in-law and her father-in-law, Esther was preceded in death by her husband, Marvin, in 1996; her twin brother, Ervin; her older brother, Rudolph Jung; sisters-in-law, Orba Holle, Doris Jung and Patricia Holle; brothers-in-law, Melbert Holle and James Worm; niece, Annette Marie Holle; and great-nephew, Bristol Ross.

She is survived by her daughter, Kathy Holle, of Pierce City; sisters-in-law, Lora Worm and Margaret Holle; brothers-in-law, Ervin Holle and Eldred Holle; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, June 3, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Freistatt. Burial will be held at Trinity Lutheran Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m., Friday, June 2, at Lakin Funeral Home in Pierce City.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church, the Humane Society or local animal shelters.

Cemetery Details

Trinity Lutheran Cemetery

Freistatt, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 2. 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Lakin Funeral Home
501 N Elm St.
Pierce City, MO 65723
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lakinfuneral@suddenlink.net

Funeral Service

JUN 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

Trinity Lutheran Church
Freistatt, MO

Tribute Wall



“ *Esther Holle*

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