



## Caroline "Kelly" E. Mueller

February 22, 1933 - February 13, 2023

Caroline "Kelly" E. Mueller, 89, of Richland Center passed away peacefully on Monday, February 13, 2023, at Schmitt Woodland Hills. She was born on February 22, 1933 in Franklin Township, Sauk County, the daughter of Alois and Clara (Pulvermacher) Gruber. Caroline married Leslie "Les" N. Mueller on June 26, 1951. Also known as Kelly, A nickname given to her by her father. Her husband Leslie was famous for giving nicknames, and would refer to her as his "sweet baby doll" or "sweet Mary."

Being called Mom or Grandma was one of the best ways of describing her. She was known for her hard work in so many ways. Homemaking was her art. Gardening vegetables and flowers was one of her summertime loves. In the wintertime you could find her sewing or working on her crafts. She was known for baking buns and canning pickles. Everyone could count on a good meal when you headed to the farm. Wrapping the weekend up with "a beer and a bun" and laughing and visiting with one another became a tradition. Outside of her home she worked for over 30 years packing apples at Oakwood Fruit farm. She was always ready to give a helping hand with the church ladies to assist, when there were times of need.

She is survived by her 8 children, Diane (Jim) Heiar of Richland Center, Rod (Colleen) Mueller of Hillpoint, Marge (Dave) Brock of Richland Center, Dale (Diane) Mueller of Hillpoint, Steve (Kelly) Mueller of Hillpoint, Stan (Michelle) Mueller of Hillpoint, Julie (Rick) Pine of Gotham, Joyce (Clint) Silvers of

Fitchburg; several grandchildren, great grandchildren, step grandchildren, and step great grandchildren; 2 sisters, Arlene Louis of Ithaca, Agatha "Sis" Neefe of Bear Valley; a brother-in-law, Virgil (Sondra) Mueller of Keyesville; other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; a grandson, Luke Heiar; 5 brothers, Alois, Ray, Vic, Bill, and Cletus Gruber; and a young sister.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, February 17, 2023 at 11:00 AM at the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Keyesville. Burial will be held in the church cemetery. Visitation will be held on Thursday, February 16, 2023 at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home in Richland Center from 3:00 PM – 6:00 PM and also on Friday at church from 10:00 AM until the time of service. In lieu of flowers memorials may be given to the family or a charity of your choice. On line condolences can be made at [www.clarymemorialfuneralhome.com](http://www.clarymemorialfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

**St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Keyesville**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

FEB 16. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Clary Memorial Funeral & Cremation Service, LLC  
26777 Jelland Drive  
Richland Center, WI 53581  
(608) 647-6390  
josh@clarymemorial.com  
<https://clarymemorialfuneralhome.com/>

### Visitation

FEB 17. 10:00 AM - 10:55 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church, Keyesville  
32605 Durst Lane  
Richland Center, WI 53581  
(608) 585-4846

### Mass of Christian Burial

FEB 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

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(608) 585-4846



# Tribute Wall

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“ Thoughts and prayers to all the Mueller family from my family.  
Bret Louis

Bret Louis - February 18, 2023 at 11:10 AM

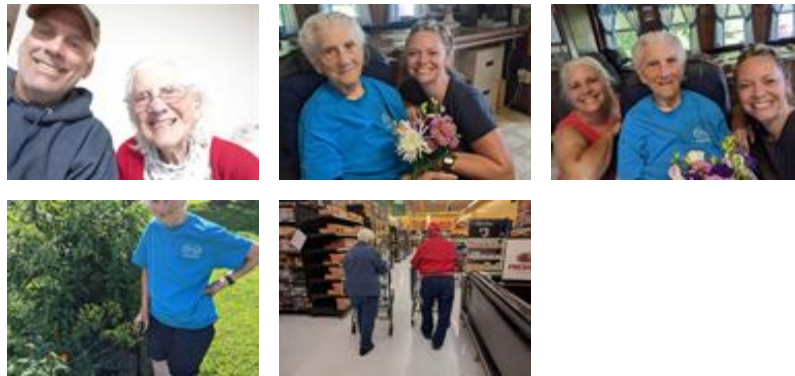
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“ Dear Mueller family, we are very sorry for your loss. Your Mom (and your entire family) have been wonderful neighbors and dear friends to our family. Thanks for raising a great Mom and God bless you as you celebrate her life.

John Schmitz - February 16, 2023 at 11:47 PM



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Clary Memorial Funeral Home - February 16, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Caroline "Kelly" E. Mueller.*



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February 13, 2023 at 10:21 PM



“ *My Sympathy to the entire family. I remember when my family (Val and Rose Mary Louis) and that of Les and Kelly would get together at one or the others farm on a Sunday afternoon and always have lunch before heading back home to do chores and the milking. I have wonderful memories.*

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**Jean M Louis Fry** - February 13, 2023 at 10:20 PM