



## Ruth Ann Hansen

December 1, 1940 - August 22, 2014

Ruth A. Hansen, age 73, of Sextonville died Friday, August 22, 2014 surrounded by her children in her home. Ruth was born on December 1, 1940 in Chicago, Illinois the daughter of Charles and Lucille (Taylor) Frank. Ruth was very proud she raised her three beautiful children on her own. She had a remarkable sense of humor. Ruth was known for her smiling face while working at the Richland Center Country Kitchen from 1979 – 1991. On May 25, 1991 she married Herbert "Herb" F. Hansen at the Rockbridge Park. Ruth brought Herb into her home and helped support him thru his years of AA. She enjoyed traveling thru the years with Herb near and far together on their motorcycle. Ruth was known by her grandchildren by many names: G-MA, Manga, NaNa, Gram and Grandma. She will now be able to spend her time with Herb in heaven riding their motorcycle.

Survivors include 3 children, Christina (Paul) O'Neal of Lone Rock, Denis (Tammy) LaRocco of Reedsburg, Delora (Hugh) Schavier of Pocono Manor, Pennsylvania; 13 grandchildren; 2 great granddaughters; sisters & brother, Geri (Terry) Shanafelt of Thompson, Illinois, Barb (Don) Folden of Rockford, Illinois, Nancy (Tom) Genslak of Ellsworth, WI, Russ (Margie) Frank of McHenry, Illinois; a very close friend Jerry Renaud Jr. of Des Moines, Iowa; along with numerous other relatives and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents and husband.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Wednesday, August 27, 2014 at 6:00 PM at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home in Richland Center. Friends may call at the Clary Memorial Funeral Home on Wednesday from 4:00 PM until the time of services at 6:00 PM. On line condolences can be made at [www.clarymemorialfuneralhome.com](http://www.clarymemorialfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ We knew Ruth through Herb. What a lovely committed couple. We are so sorry for your loss, once again. We can see them on that yellow bike once again. Thinking of you at this time of loss.

Terri & Brian McGraw - Muscoda, WI - friend - August 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ So sorry and yet I know she is now with Herb. The last time I corresponded with her she was glad to be near family but missing Herb greatly. I worked with Herb for many years and met Ruth during that time. They were very special people.

Maridel Jackson - Ankeny, IA - Friend - August 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ I can't just think of 1 or 2 memories, because my Gram was at everything! School activities, hospitals (birth of a baby, or a problem), parades, musicals, teaching us how to drive in her car, birthday parties, sky-diving, holidays, sports, graduations, ice cream dates, numerous fun times in Wisconsin Dells, park-hopping...etc. That is what I personally will miss the most. She was the family's lil support group. When no one else seemed to care, or people were too busy, Gram was always there, and early. She loved her family with all her heart. And her family loved her so much.

Punky-Doodle - Richland center, WI - Granddaughter - August 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JF

“*Herb and Ruth were my best friends for many years and I miss them both dearly. I couldn't even begin to count all the good memories I have of the three of us spending time together. The attached picture is from our motorcycle trip to northern Wisconsin and the Michigan peninsula last summer. I'm sad that we can never do this again yet I'm so grateful that we did it while we still could.*

*Nevertheless, I feel relief when I think of the two of them reunited up in Heaven. If they have access to a trike I have no doubt they are touring their new area. They both are gone but will never be forgotten.*

*Jerry*

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**Jerry Renaud Jr. - Des Moines, IA - Close family friend** - August 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“*Ruth and Herb were a loving and warm couple. I loved that they just took off on their "Tweety Bird" across the country and shared all their photos with us on Facebook. Ruth and I are the same age, so we had many good talks about our lives and she was always grateful for her family/friends. Since I live so far away from WI, we sent lots of e-mails to each other.*

*I'm comforted to know they are together again as angels. They joined us for many family events in Iowa over the years, they were "family".*

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**Geri Renaud-Ghiselin - Costa Mesa, CA - Friend** - August 25, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I remember Ruth as a very hard working, reliable, friendly face when she and I worked together at the Country Kitchen many years ago. We became close friends during those years and regretfully, we lost close touch as the years passed. I have thought of her often however, and will never forget her smile, her thoughtful advise, and her loyalty. Godspeed Ruthie.*

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**Dennis Tracy - Richland Center, WI - Friend/former co worker - August 24, 2014**  
at 12:00 AM