



## Sylvia Marie Kirchmann

September 4, 1927 - December 24, 2020

Kirchmann, Sylvia M (Joeckel)

On the evening we celebrate Christ's birth, her favorite day of the year, God called Sylvia Kirchmann (93) home on December 24th, 2020. She passed peacefully at her residence, with her son Bryan and daughter Wendy at her side. Sylvia was born in Fraser Township, MN, to Richard and Hertha Joeckel (Kruse). She was married to Gerhardt (Gary) P. Kirchmann in 1951, and their loving union thrived for 63 years, rooted in faith, family, service and friendship. They were blessed with three children, seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. She was the epitome of warmth and grace. Her heart was open and loving, and she had many good friends throughout her life. Warm acceptance was her gift that touched so many people. Her approach to people came from her faith, from how she understood how God's love should be extended to others. Her love for her grandchildren was transformative, unrushed, and individual. Each one of them felt special in her presence. She was preceded in death by her parents, her two siblings Gerald (Bud) and Rollin, her beloved granddaughter Jennifer, and Gary. She is survived by her son Bryan, daughter Wendy (Jim) and son Tim (Ania), plus six grandchildren and her great-grandchildren. Special gratitude to the loving and caring staff of Arbors at Ridges Senior Living in Burnsville, her residence for four years, for their flexibility, dedication and care throughout her time there, and especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. A celebration of her life will take place for

family only on Wednesday, January 6th, 2021 at Washburn-McReavy Dawn Valley Chapel and Memorial Park at 11:00 AM.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are preferred to Redemption Lutheran Church.

Cards may be sent to the Kirchmann family c/o Dawn Valley Chapel & Memorial Park, 9940 Bush Lake Road, Bloomington, MN 55438.

# Previous Events

## Celebration

JAN 6. 11:00 AM.

Washburn-McReavy Dawn Valley Chapel and Memorial Park

# Tribute Wall

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“ I have so many memories of Silvia and of Garry too. The memories often go hand and hand. The love they shared for the grandchildren. The kindness, caring and compassion they imprinted on the grandchildren will live on for generations. I will miss Silvia very much at family gatherings. I always looked forward to seeing her and visiting with her enjoying her smile and good conversation. She really enjoyed her great grandchildren. When I heard that she passed on I Christmas Eve I too thought what a wonderful time for her to enter heaven on one of her favorite times of the year. Prayers of blessings and peace. Love Deb Brodil.

Debra Brodil - January 06, 2021 at 09:50 AM

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“ From Your LEGO Marketing Colleagues purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Sylvia Marie Kirchmann.



From Your LEGO Marketing Colleagues - January 05, 2021 at 11:36 AM

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“ Your friends at SunStream Business Services purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Sylvia Marie Kirchmann.



Your friends at SunStream Business Services - January 05, 2021 at 09:02 AM

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“ *Sylvia is a dear friend and we are happy she could celebrate Christmas with her Savior. When we think of Sylvia, these words come to mind: gracious, kind, loving, caring, fun, appreciative, faithful-- a beautiful Christian lady and friend. I learned much from her in our Bible study group when she was the leader and she helped me when I became the leader. She was such a wonderful listener, and we loved to share stories of when we were school teachers. She always spoke so gratefully of everything you, her children and grandchildren, did for her and how very much she enjoyed spending time with you. She was extremely proud of each one of you. Though she had many health issues, she was not a complainer. She accepted what she had to do and was grateful for the things she was still able to do. When we joined Redemption, we were very inspired as we met and got to know Sylvia and Gary. They both definitely modeled the Christian faith well. We will miss her a lot and miss our times together with her, but we definitely know where she is and that we will be together again.*

*God bless you, her dear family,*

*Keith and Cheryl Bratsch*

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**Keith and Cheryl Bratsch** - January 02, 2021 at 05:03 PM