



Rilla Jean Rust

April 13, 1947 - November 15, 2018

Rilla Rust, 71, of Oskaloosa passed away Thursday, November 15, 2018, at Iowa Lutheran Hospital in Des Moines, Iowa.

Rilla Jean Rust was born April 13, 1947, in Oskaloosa, Iowa to Edward Lee and Rilla Ellen (Leshner) Milledge. Because of her father's job with the M & ST. L Railroad, the family lived in several towns in Central Iowa including Marshalltown and Des Moines while Rilla was in school. She was a 1965 graduate of S.E. Polk High School and then worked a variety of jobs in nursing homes and shopping malls. March 16, 1968, she married her high school sweetheart, George Clayton Rust, at the First Baptist Church in Altoona, Iowa. They lived in the Des Moines area for a year, before moving to Oskaloosa. When she returned to work, she was employed at Tower Park and Pleasant Park Nursing Homes and in 1976; she went to work at Oskaloosa Foods, Inc. For most of her time there, she worked in the white dryer area; she retired in 2008, after 33 ½ years.

Rilla and George were charter members of the Rollin Oldies Car Club, lifetime members of the Iowa Street Rod Association and long-time members of the Good-Guys Car Show. She was also a long-time member of the First Assembly of God in Oskaloosa where she taught 3rd and 4th grade Sunday school and assisted with transportation at the church. When they weren't attending car shows, she also enjoyed walking, reading, watching her grandchildren play sports and just spending time out-of-doors enjoying nature. Her family includes her husband, George of Oskaloosa; her daughters: Rilla

Elizabeth Williamson of Oskaloosa and Shelia Jean Rust (Dave Marks Jr.) of Oskaloosa; four grandchildren: George (Abby) Rust of Oskaloosa, Tyler (Maggie) Bartlow of Oskaloosa, MaKayla Lynn Marks of Oskaloosa and Mason C. Marks of Oskaloosa; five great-grandchildren: Edward, Violet, Izaak Jack and Mia. She is also survived by three sisters: Arlene (George) Hassett of Oskaloosa, Darlene Milledge of Pleasant Hill, and Rose Mary (Karl) Moeller of Mitchellville, Iowa.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by sons-in-law, Chris Bartlow and James Williamson.

Funeral Services for Rilla will be held at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, November 20, 2018, at the Langkamp Funeral Chapel with Rev. Mike Dotson officiating.

Visitation will begin at 11 a.m., Monday at the funeral chapel; the family will greet visitors from 4-6:30 p.m., Monday evening. As was her wish, Rilla's body will be cremated following the service and her ashes will be buried at Forest Cemetery at a later date. Memorials can be made to Mahaska Health Hospice Services.

Cemetery Details

Forest Cemetery

934 North 9th ST
Oskaloosa, IA 52577
secretary@forestcemetery.com
<http://www.forestcemetery.org/>

Previous Events

Open Visitation

NOV **19**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Family Visitation

NOV **19**. 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Rilla Jean Rust*

October 05, 2023 at 11:57 PM



“ *Becky Netten lit a candle in memory of Rilla Jean Rust*



Becky Netten - December 15, 2018 at 02:14 PM



“ *To Rilla's family' may God comfort you in this time of sorrow. I saw her passing in the Herald Monday night, I didn't know she was ill. She was a dear friend that I never got time to spend with her. We worked together many years ago. then our paths went separate ways, but I had never forgotten her. She is with the angels and our Lord now and I'm sure she was rewarded with a Well Done. I know she loved her family and you will miss her and my heart breaks for each of you. May God be with you all. Carol Gleason*

Carol Gleason - November 20, 2018 at 11:56 AM



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Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory - November 17, 2018 at 12:51 PM

TR

“ *Our friendship go's back to the years of working at the Produce together, Way before Rilla became my aunt. Rilla is a special person and everyone will miss her. She's a great mother and wonderful grandmother. And your family and friends will miss you.*

Toni Rust - November 16, 2018 at 07:54 PM

DG

“ *So sorry for your loss George.*

Dave Graham - November 16, 2018 at 03:31 PM

VK

“ *Rilla was my dearest and closest friend. We shared many good times together from all our trips to Ottumwa together and phone calls sharing good times and bad. We laughed together, cried together, prayed together, and we're just there for each other. You will truly be missed my friend. I know you are celebrating with the Lord and I will see you again one day. George and family so sorry for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers. Love you. Verla*

Verla Kirk - November 16, 2018 at 02:27 PM

SG

“ *Rilla was one of my dearest friends growing up in Beacon. Always had a smile for everyone.. Now my friend, no more pain..RIP*

Sue Kirby Gerard - November 16, 2018 at 12:29 PM