



Ilva Mae Storch

November 9, 1929 - October 22, 2022

On the morning of October 22, 2022, Ilva Mae Storch, 92, of Napoleon, Ohio died peacefully at Genacross Lutheran Services, surrounded by her loving family. She was born near Elmira in Fulton County, Ohio on November 9, 1929, to Lawrence and Mary (Kutzli) Gigax. Ilva married her first and only love, Russell Storch in Archbold, Ohio, on March 8, 1953.

Ilva was a devoted farm wife, helping her husband for many years. She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Malinta, where she was actively involved in crocheting blankets for newborns. Ilva was one of the founding members of the Henry County Historical Society in Grelton. She enjoyed the beginning years as a Patrick Henry Athletic Booster, where she and Russell never missed a football or basketball game.

Ilva is survived by her children, Debra (Jules) Frese of New Port Richey, Florida, and Alan (Shelly) Storch of Napoleon, Ohio; grandchildren, Sarah Frese of Lexington, Kentucky, Alison (Caleb) Joseph of Amherst, Ohio, and Neil Storch of Napoleon, Ohio; great grandchildren, Odin and Callahan Joseph; siblings, Margaret Detter of Wauseon, Ohio, Robert Gigax of Camden, Michigan, and Ronald (Sharon) Gigax of Archbold, Ohio; and brother-in-law, Bud Wheeler of Fayette, Ohio. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 59 years, Russell; siblings, Dale (Alice) Gigax, Donald (Ruth) Gigax, Helen (Russell) Neuenschwander, and

Gertrude Wheeler; brother-in-law, Orville Detter; and sister-in-law, Diana Gigax.

Friends and family will be received at the Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon on Wednesday, October 26, 2022, from 10:00 AM until the time of services at 11:00 AM. Interment will take place at Grelton Cemetery, Grelton, Ohio. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church, 120 Henry Street, Malinta, Ohio 43535 or Four Corners Heritage Center, 7-051 County Road M, Grelton, OH 43523. Online condolences and message may be shared with the family at rodenbergergray.com.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

OCT **26.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Rodenberger Funeral Home - Napoleon
1010 Westmoreland Avenue
Napoleon, OH 43545

Funeral Service

OCT **26.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Sorry to hear about Aunt Ilva. Debbie and Alan - our thoughts and prayers are with you and your families.

Mark Gigax - October 26, 2022 at 08:42 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Ilva Mae Storch.



October 24, 2022 at 11:48 AM