



## Rachel Ruth Ketola

April 2, 1964 - November 1, 2024

Rachel R. Ketola, 60, of Amasa passed away peacefully on Friday, November 1, 2024, at Marshfield Medical Hospital in Marshfield, WI, with her sisters by her side.

Rachel was born in the house in Amasa on April 2, 1964, to Arthur and Sonya Ketola and lived there all her life. A Forest Park High School graduate, Class of 1982, Rachel worked as a CNA at the Iron River Care Center for 35 years, her only job! She took great pride in her work, not only showing loyalty and dedication, but she was also very well liked by all staff members, residents, and their families. If not for health reasons, she would still be working there today.

Rachel was well known in the community, always kind and compassionate, and willing to help others; you could count on her if anything was needed or had to be done, and she never asked for anything in return. She had a great sense of humor, and you knew it was her just by her laugh. She had the best smile ever and was always happy. She truly was a beautiful person.

She enjoyed spending time with family, going to the casino, playing bingo, going to yard sales and decorating for holidays. She also enjoyed watching all the wildlife that came into her yard. She always had a dog or cat to keep her company. Rachel was never home but always on the go. She spent many

days with Donna, going places and doing things. Grass never had a chance to grow under her feet.

Rachel is survived by her sisters, Christine (Ken) Peltoma of Iron Mountain, Arline Hund of Crystal Falls, and Donna (Jamie) Sjoquist of Amasa, along with nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Rachel was preceded in death by her parents, Sonya and Arthur Ketola, her sister Nancy Pete, and her nephew John Ketola.

"Caboose, our baby sister, you will be missed but never forgotten. We love you." - your sisters

Visitation will be held from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm on Tuesday, December 10th at the Bethany Lutheran Church in Amasa, MI, followed by a funeral service at 12:00 noon at the church. Pastor D.J. Rasner will officiate.

Condolences to the family of Rachel R. Ketola may be expressed online at [www.nashfuneralhome.net](http://www.nashfuneralhome.net)

The family has entrusted the Nash Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Crystal Falls with the arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 10. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Bethany Lutheran Church  
305 Maple Ave.  
Amasa, MI 49903

## Memorial Service

DEC 10. 12:00 PM (CT)

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305 Maple Ave.  
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# Tribute Wall

CA

“ I worked with her at the Iron River Nursing Home for 10 years. She was absolutely wonderful with the residents and facility. She is missed by so many.

Cyndi Absolon - November 06, 2025 at 01:23 AM

RB

“ Rachel was so kind and caring. She took care of my mom and mother-in-law at the Care Center. We send our condolences to her friends and family.  
Randy and Ruby Bobula

Ruby and Randy Bobula - November 28, 2024 at 10:29 AM

DS

Rachel was a good friend she will be missed rip gouch ur friend monkey

Donna shelton - December 04, 2024 at 03:09 PM



“ Rest well my friend,  
Never knew what you were up to.  
Never a dull moment.

William Norkoli - November 27, 2024 at 01:23 PM

SH

“ My condolences to her Family and friends..



Steve Hill - November 27, 2024 at 11:58 AM

LW

“ Well, we all grew up together. Rachel was always a good person ❤️ . Ill.miss her, I'm sorry you girls had to.lose your baby sister. Hugs to you all ❤️👍

Lorna Odlund Willis - November 26, 2024 at 06:34 PM

AS

“ I'm so sorry. I have many good memories of Rachel, especially from childhood. We spent a lot of days and nights at the Ketola's and were treated like family. ❤️ I remember tagging along when Art took the carload of kids to camp, making macaroni and cheese and hanging out with Mayme, watching Sunday morning wrestling on TV, and Rachel's bright smile and disposition. She was always caring for others and so sweet. I know she will be missed by many.

Allison (Lepisto) Smith - November 26, 2024 at 03:19 PM

WH

“ I saw her in the SuperOne parking lot in her car from afar this summer it was actually on my birthday and I smiled and waved to her and she smiled and waved back. It was nice. I wanted to go talk with her, but I was with someone.. I worked with her at the Care Center and she was a hoot! Good memories!

Wendy Haile - November 26, 2024 at 01:00 PM

JH

“ Thoughts and prayer for peace and comfort during this difficult time. Rachel was a wonderful lady.

Jodi Heikkila - November 26, 2024 at 11:44 AM

GI

“ So sorry for the loss of your baby sister. She was always willing to help out when she could, giving and lovingly.

ginny - November 26, 2024 at 10:45 AM



“ RIP Rachel. I will cherish the memories we share. RIP my friend

Julie Alm - November 09, 2024 at 01:50 PM

LP

“ I worked with Rachel at the Iron River Nursing home, way back when, and Rachel was the kindest person I have ever known. She was a compassionate, easy-going person. So sorry for your loss. She will be missed.



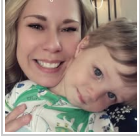
Linda Pierce - November 07, 2024 at 01:42 PM

DC

“ Debbie & Calvin lit a candle in memory of Rachel Ruth Ketola



Debbie & Calvin - November 05, 2024 at 11:36 AM



“ So sorry for the family's loss. I worked with Rachel for a couple of years as a CNA and she just loved the residents so much. She treated them all like her own grandparents. She was so caring and she will be so missed. Rest easy Rachel.



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**Adelle Ashcraft** - November 05, 2024 at 05:48 AM

SH

“ Steve Hill lit a candle in memory of Rachel Ruth Ketola



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**Steve Hill** - November 04, 2024 at 04:33 PM

GI

“ Very sad to hear, Rachel will be missed. She was loved by many.



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**Gina** - November 04, 2024 at 03:42 PM