



## Rosemary Clementine Schrader

July 15, 1930 - January 13, 2025

Visitation will be held on Friday, January 17, 2025 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Chapel Hill Mortuary, 6300 Highway 30, Cedar Hill, MO 63016.

Funeral Mass will be held on Saturday, January 18, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at St. John the Beloved Disciple Catholic Church. Interment will immediately follow at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Cedar Hill, MO.

Rosemary (Rosie) Clementine Theresa Schrader, of St. Louis, Missouri, was born July 15, 1930, in Houston, Texas, to Walter Ambrose and Mary Josephine (nee Hufker) Schrader and entered in to rest Monday, January 13, 2025, at the age of 94 years and 5 months and 29 days. She is preceded in death by her parents, three brothers: Walter Charles Schrader, William "Bill" A. Schrader, Paul Francis Schrader, one sister Gertrude "Trudy" Ann Ogle, one nephew Paul Robert Ogle, and one niece Diana Lynn Williams (Ogle).

Rosemary is survived by 14 nieces and nephews: Carlyn Schrader, Bill Schrader, Mary Kay Schrader, Ron Schrader, Sue Skoklo (Schrader), Sandy Schrader, Rosie Stobie (Schrader), Robert Schrader, Stephanie Johnson (Schrader), William "Randy" Schrader, Marji Schrader, Donna Ogle, Russell "Rusty" Ogle, Dottie Ogle, dear Just Dancing Studio family - David Nyemchek Sr, Suzy Nyemchek, Valerie Fox (Nyemchek), Sebastian Fox, Victoria Navarrete (Nyemchek), Natalia Rose, Charlie and Mateo Navarrete, David Nyemchek Jr., dear friend and guardian angel Cathy Kennedy, dear loving cousins Barbara Sandgren, Betty Stromberg, Connie Stromberg, Mary

Stengel, Art Behrens, and Charles "Chuck" Behrens. Rosemary was a graduate of St. Mary Magdalen School in Brentwood and Webster Groves High School. Rosie retired from Webster Publishing/McGraw-Hill accounting department after 44 years. Rosemary's three greatest passions were taking care of children, travelling and ballroom dancing. Rosemary competed and won many awards for the Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango, Quickstep, Viennese Waltz, Cha Cha, West Coast Swing, and Rumba. Rosemary enjoyed travelling to England, Germany, Switzerland, Austria and across the United States. She enjoyed bowling with the Book Worms McGraw-Hill Ladies League. Rosie especially enjoyed a good cup of hot coffee.

Rosemary was a cradle Catholic, was never married, had no children but loved caring for children. Two of her brothers, Walt and Bill, and her sister, Trudy, had a total of 16 children, her nieces, and nephews, and she was the babysitter and caregiver whenever needed by her siblings. Rosemary was in her glory when she was with children, nieces, and nephews. She would have done anything for them. Rosemary was a wonderful Aunt. She was always there for them. She was fun to be around. She was an influential part of their upbringing. She taught us how to complete jigsaw puzzles, how to make pineapple pizza, how to correctly wrap beautiful Christmas gifts, how to do crossword puzzles, how to do the bunny hop (a dance), she bought one niece her favorite coat in 8th grade, she went on many vacations with us, she bought us Henry hamburgers and she was a joy at all times, but most of all teaching us how to love. She was a fabulous aunt. She would take my mother-in-law, Loretta, who did not drive, shopping. She gave many special gifts throughout the years. She always had the time to play games and do jigsaw puzzles with the kids. Rosie was so good with children, and we give our thanks to her for all the influence we received from her helping us to become kind, honest and happy people.

When nieces and nephews were older, she took many of them on trips across

the USA. Rosie took Bill to Durango Colorado. When Bill was stationed at Pensacola at a Navy school during the Vietnam War, she took several of his sisters to visit him there. She was a true lifesaver for her siblings and nieces and nephews helping to float loans, buy clothes and coats for the kids. The families would not have made it without Rosie's most generous help over the years. Carlyn was the first niece. Rosie often spoiled her and later nieces by taking them to Famous Barr downtown and letting them pick out a new dress and it did not have to be one on sale. She had the most generous heart and was a true philanthropist to many charities. She spent time in Adoration every week until she moved to the nursing home in June 2018.

After helping her 16 nieces and nephews Rosie started ballroom dancing at the Just Dancing Studio in Manchester, Missouri. The couple who ran the dance studio, David and Suzy Nyemechek, were young and when they had their first child, Rosie became the babysitter – fondly called “RoRo” and assisted with the care of their three children, Victoria, Valerie, and David Nyemchek Jr. They loved her dearly like a grandmother. After the Nyemchek's kids grew older, Rosie became a caregiver, an "Angel Mommy," for quadruplets, Hanna, Lillie, Gretel and Will, for a young family at St. Gerard Majella Catholic Church, taking shifts to help the new parents. She helped nurture them through their first years of life. She did this out of love. Her caring for kids was her talent and gift from God.

Rosie told me she always wanted to care for children, but her father did not think it was a worthy profession. He had Rosie take all kinds of business classes in high school like accounting so she could have a better job future. Webster Publishing came to her high school, and she had an interview with them in her senior year and was hired. Her job waited for her after graduation. Rosemary had a successful career, working 44 years at the same place of employment - in the accounting office at Webster Publishing, later known as

McGraw-Hill. She started working there after high school graduation at age 18 and retired in 1992 at the age of 62. When Rosie started working at Webster Publishing, she lived in Rock Hill and had to take a bus and a streetcar to get to work. There was no air conditioning in those days, so the windows had to be left open in the summer. One of her enduring memories was chasing invoices down Washington Avenue after they had blown out the window. Later Webster Publishing moved from downtown to Crestwood, only 15 minutes from her home in Rock Hill with no city traffic to worry about. In 1963 Webster Publishing merged with McGraw-Hill and relocated to Manchester even closer to where Rosie lived

Rosie spent the last six years and seven months in a nursing home at Delmar Gardens due to her declining dementia. She loved to read anything she saw on the walls and doors. She would sometimes sit at the nurse's station reading their 3-ring binders. One time she was reading the words on the fire alarm where it said "Pull" and after saying it three times she did indeed pull the alarm. It happened twice! Until she broke her hip in June 2024, she was their most mobile resident using her walking wheelchair going up and down all the hallways at Delmar Gardens. Nurses often told me stories about Rosie and things she did in the nursing home. One story involved Rosie watching a woman who was having an outburst at the nursing station. Rosie watched her for a long time while the woman was beating her fist on the counter. Rosie wheeled herself over to the woman and told her "Is all this really necessary" and took her hand and held it until the woman calmed down.

Rosie was a tough lady just like Rosie the Riveter- she is a 30+ year breast cancer survivor. She rolled out of bed 9 times between May 30 and October 12, 2024, which resulted in the broken hip in June and a brain bleed in July, where she was hospitalized at St. Luke's trauma center. She fought hard to overcome her injuries. However, this was the start of her decline.

She was quiet, shy, more of an introvert. She had a huge heart full of generosity and love for kids and her nieces and nephews. She always wanted to marry and have children, but she never found her soulmate. Rosie told me she had hoped her sister Trudy, or my mother-in-law Loretta (her best friend) would fix her up with a good guy.

Throughout her entire life she had a positive outlook and enjoyed the simple pleasures of life. Rosemary was always easy-going and always loving. She had a quiet, kind, and sweet demeanor. She would do anything for anyone if they were in need. Her life revolved around her family, especially nieces and nephews, and the Nyemchek family. She always thought of others before herself. She will be remembered for her kind generosity to others. Her random acts of kindness were frequent. Her heart was made of gold for the benefit of others.

Rosemary enjoyed jigsaw puzzles, playing board games with all the kids. Rosemary was a lot of fun and was always smiling; she was such a sweet lady. We will always remember her for her big heart, generous spirit, and unconditional devotion to her family. We will especially cherish the sweet memories of her being a wonderful Aunt. Rosemary spent her life showing all of us the meaning of the word "FAMILY."

In addition to our parents, Aunts may also be one of the most important people we ever have in our lives. They give us love and sustain us all the years we have together. They laugh with us, and they cry with us. They hold us close and celebrate our successes and they encourage and love us every single day. We miss them when they are gone, but our lives are filled with such good memories. Rosie knew she was loved by all of us and by God. Rosie is safely home and is resting in the arms of a loving God and having the best cup of hot coffee with our Lord. Rosemary will be fondly remembered and dearly missed by all who knew and loved her. Eternal rest grant unto her, O

Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

Valerie, Victoria, and David Nyemchek --- A Tribute to Rosie

Today, we gather to celebrate the life of an extraordinary woman, Rosie. Rosie was not just a caregiver to me and my siblings; she was a beacon of love, compassion, and resilience. She dedicated a good portion of her life to raising children who were not her own, viewing every child as a blessing sent from above. Her nurturing spirit and unwavering dedication left a lasting impact on everyone fortunate enough to know her.

Rosie was the embodiment of care, clumsiness, and thoughtfulness. Her caring nature knew no bounds; she would go out of her way to ensure that every child under her wing felt loved and cherished. Despite her clumsiness, it was this very trait that endeared her to us even more, making us laugh when she would say "oh you kids." Her thoughtful gestures, big or small, always came straight from the heart and were a testament to her genuine nature.

Though Rosie may not have had kneecaps, she certainly knew how to kick cancer's butt. Her strength in faith and will was nothing short of inspiring. She faced every challenge with a determination that was awe-inspiring, never letting adversity dim her spirit or her faith. We knew her physical exercises, we knew her radio programs, we knew her movies, her shingles spot and where to scratch. She let most people know a lot of her, but the children she raised knew the real Rosie. She was silly, she was warm, she was love incarnate. Rosie had her unique quirks that made her all the more lovable. She had a fondness for bacon, Sprite, and Twix, yet she harbored a strong dislike for sour cream. She loved cardinals, both the birds and the baseball team. These little preferences were a part of her charm, and I know I will think about her with every Cardinal I see from now on.

In every sense of the word, Rosie was a remarkable individual. Her legacy is one of love, strength, and unwavering faith. As we remember her today, let us carry forward the lessons she taught us: to see every child as a blessing, to approach life with a caring and thoughtful heart, and to face our battles with unwavering faith and strength.

Thank you, Rosie, for the love and light you brought into our lives. You will be dearly missed, but your spirit will continue to inspire us all.

Thank you.

Love your: Vicki, Valerie, David

# Cemetery Details

## Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens

6300 SR 30  
Cedar Hill, MO 63016  
(636) 274-4100

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 17. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Cedar Hill  
6300 Highway 30  
Cedar Hill, MO 63016  
(636) 274-4100  
info@stlfuneral.com  
<https://www.stlfuneral.com>

## Funeral Mass

JAN 18. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. John the Beloved Disciple  
4614 Blue Springs Dr.  
Imperial, MO 63052

## Graveside Service

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JAN 18 (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *With Love, Chris & Amber Clemons purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Rosemary Clementine Schrader.*



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**With Love, Chris & Amber Clemons** - January 16, 2025 at 09:00 PM

BF

“ *Barbara and family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Rosemary Clementine Schrader.*



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**Barbara and family** - January 16, 2025 at 12:24 PM

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“ *Barbara and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosemary Clementine Schrader.*

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**Barbara and family** - January 16, 2025 at 12:24 PM

BS

“ Dear Rosie, cousin/sister, we shared so much, roadtrip to Colorado with you and your parents, celebrated our birthdays, me just turned 16, explored. I lived with you and family after highschool for 6 years. We worked at McGraw, many fun times. You will always be in my heart. Love and peace, Barbara



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**Barbara Sandgren** - January 16, 2025 at 12:09 PM

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“ The Navarrete Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Rosemary Clementine Schrader.



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**The Navarrete Family** - January 15, 2025 at 06:16 PM

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“ The Navarrete Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosemary Clementine Schrader.

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**The Navarrete Family** - January 15, 2025 at 06:16 PM