



Irene Gehrken

March 19, 1943 - October 5, 2022

Irene (DesRosiers) Gehrken, 79, of New Britain, wife of the late William “Bill” Gehrken, passed away Wednesday (October 5, 2022) at Hartford Hospital. Born in Bridgeport, she lived in New Britain most of her life. Irene was a graduate of St. Vincent Hospital School of Nursing in Bridgeport and was an RN at Hartford Hospital for 22 years, retiring in 2013. She was a member of St. Joseph Church, New Britain.

Surviving are two daughters, Michelle Thomas of New Britain, and Kayleigh Jimenez and her husband Miguel Sanchez, also of New Britain; a brother, Norman DesRosiers and his wife Tracey of Rocky Face, GA; her niece, Aaliz DesRosiers; five grandchildren, Michael Thomas Jr. and his wife Amy of Bristol, James Thomas, also of Bristol, Timothy Thomas and his partner Kara Allen of Plymouth, Nicholas Ruberto of New Britain and Damien Rodriguez, also of New Britain.

Funeral services are Thursday (October 20, 2022) 9 AM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial 10 AM at St. Joseph Church, South Main Street, New Britain. Entombment will follow at the St. Mary Cemetery Mausoleum. Calling hours are Wednesday (October 19) 5 to 7 PM at Carlson Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Boys Town, PO Box 8000, Boys Town, NE 68010 Please share a memory or note of sympathy at www.carlsonfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

St. Mary Cemetery

1141 Stanley Street
New Britain, CT 06053

Previous Events

Calling Hours

OCT **19**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Carlson Funeral Home
45 Franklin Square
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Funeral Service

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Mass of Christian Burial

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St. Joseph Church of the Divine Providence Parish
195 South Main Street
New Britain, CT 06051