



Bernice Tinsley

January 1, 1924 - December 12, 2010

Bernice Mary (Koper) Tinsley went home to her Lord on Dec. 10, 2010. She was born on Jan. 23, 1924 in St. Louis MO to John Koper and Eleanor Michalak Koper. She married William David Tinsley on June 29, 1946 at St. Liborious Catholic Church in St. Louis. Bernice was employed by Ameritorp of St. Louis, a U.S. Naval plant during the war and has since been a homemaker raising her ten children. She belonged to St. Joseph's Catholic Church and was devout in her faith. She participated in many church activities; including the Legion of Mary, Altar Society, CCD teacher and others. Her family and her faith were the center of her life. She truly imitated Christ in her daily life. She was preceded in death by a son, Michael Edwin. She is survived by her loving husband of 65 years, William David Tinsley; children, Rita Summers, Indianapolis, Anne Stark (Barry) West Chicago, Robert Tinsley, Baltimore, David Tinsley (Jenny), Gerry Tinsley (Debbie), Bill Tinsley, Cathie Halpin (Mike), Barbara De Walt (Scott), James Tinsley (Kellee) all of Topeka; Brother, Chester Koper and sister Joan Valenti of St. Louis; she had 18 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Bernice will lie in state Sun. from 3:30-6 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, where the Altar Society will pray a rosary at 3:30 p.m. The family will receive friends from 4-6 p.m. followed by a parish rosary at 6 p.m. A Mass of Christian burial will be Mon. at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church with burial at Mt. Calvary Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Midland Hospice and/or Birthright of Topeka sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home 2801 SW Urish Rd, Topeka KS 66614.

Tribute Wall



“ *Bernice Tinsley*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Dave, Jenny and family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. May God provide comfort, strength and peace. Your friends ALWAYS.*

Aaron & Louise Zeikle - December 27, 2010 at 04:42 PM



“ *Dave, Jenny and family, Our many thoughts and prayers are with you at this time with the passing of your mom, Dave. With Sincere Sympathy, Jerry and Sharon Germonprez*

Jerry & Sharon Germonprez - December 15, 2010 at 04:54 PM



“ *We are very sorry for your loss and hold all of you in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Tom, Lisa and Connor Lolley*

Tom Lolley family - December 15, 2010 at 11:05 AM

NS

“ When I read the obituary for Bernice, it felt as if I had lost a family member. It was wonderful to meet her family at the funeral service- her love and gentleness, kindness and faith are so much a part of all of you. I send special prayers and sympathy for Bill and hope to see Bill again at the downtown Y. Bernice's "place" in the circle in the pool for acqua exercise is still there and we all think of her, her smiles, friendship, and love of her family and church. Much sympathy to the family for your loss.

nancy sargent - December 14, 2010 at 09:37 PM

JH

“ As the days and the weeks pass, and you return to life's routine, may you continue to feel comforted by the love and support of your family and your friends.
Your wife and mother was a wonderful woman. Don't forget to hold on to all your memories, and let them guide you during this time of sadness.
Jim and I are so sorry for your loss. God bless you all.
May God bless you, and keep you in his arms during your time of sorrow.

Jim & Holly Houpt - December 13, 2010 at 05:01 PM

YF

“ Deepest condolences to all the Tinsleys on your Mom's passing.

Young family - December 13, 2010 at 02:19 PM

MD

“ To the Tinsley family, I was so sorry to see that your lovely Mother has passed away. I remember her and Aunt Elsie always going to Legion of Mary, and Alter Society. She will be so missed but have the knowledge that she is in a better place. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers.

Mary (Hladky) Dreasher - December 12, 2010 at 10:44 AM

CC

“ The Tinsley family,
The Joy of the Lord be your strength Nehemiah 8:10 and the Holy Spirit comfort you during this hole in your heart be mended by Christ's Love. My thoughts and prayers be lifted to the Heavenly Father to send the King of Peace to your souls and guide you thru the trials n tribulations in Life. I Loved to pray the rosary with her at Holy Hour. God knows when to call an Angel to Heaven. She has touched so many hearts and beloved prayers we will reap thru her perseverance. I know she was a Holy Blessing sent for a lot of people. May God Bless You Always each n evry1 of you.

connie fouraker christenson - December 11, 2010 at 06:52 PM

AY

“ Barb and all the Tinsleys - Was so sad to hear about your Mom's passing. She was a great woman and I know she is in heaven holding God's hand now. My deepest sympathies go out to you and your family - I will be thinking and praying for you all.

Anne Yoder - December 11, 2010 at 08:55 AM

GH

“ Barb and family, I am so sorry to hear about the passing of your mom. My heart goes out to you all. May God comfort you all at this sad time in your life. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Gina Herman - December 10, 2010 at 11:54 PM