



Rita Gretchen Lindabury

May 30, 1943 - October 14, 2021

Rita Gretchen (Rudolph) Lindabury, 78, Topeka, Kansas, passed away Thursday, October 14, 2021.

Rita was born May 30, 1943, in Kansas City, Missouri, the daughter of Matthew R. Rudolph and Zella Wylie (Borton) Rudolph. She graduated from Lillis High School in 1960. She began her working life as a keypunch operator. Later she danced as a showgirl in Atlantic City with aspirations of Hollywood stardom. She returned to Kansas in 1978 and later married Donald C. Lindabury in Topeka, Kansas in 1981.

Rita is survived by her son, Michael Makovec, daughter-in-law, Julie, and grandchildren, Kaven, Abrianna, Danyala, and Gabriel Makovec, nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, brother Dennis Rudolph, and husband, Donald Lindabury.

Rita will lie in state 1 to 3 p.m. on Thursday, October 28, 2021, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614.

Rosary will be prayed at 10 a.m. Friday, October 29, 2021, at St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church, 275th, Marion KS 66861 (Pilsen, Kansas), followed by Mass of Christian Burial being celebrated in person at 10:30 a.m. Burial to follow in Pilsen Cemetery.

Rosary and Mass will be live streamed on the funeral home Facebook page.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Church and sent in care of the funeral home. Condolences may be sent online to www.kevinbrennanfamily.com.

Cemetery Details

St. John Nepomucene Cemetery

275th
Marion, KS 66861

Previous Events

Lie In State

OCT **28**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614
(785) 272-7888
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

Rosary

OCT **29**. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. John Nepomucene Church
275th
Marion
Marion, KS 66861

Mass of Christian Burial

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Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Rita Gretchen Lindabury



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - October 27, 2021 at 11:37 AM



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Rita Gretchen Lindabury



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - October 19, 2021 at 12:46 PM



I am so sorry to learn belatedly about your mother's passing. I'm a motion picture historian who lives in New York and I interviewed your mother over the phone many years ago about some films she acted in during the 1960s. Despite the low-budget nature of the movies, she was an organic talent who lit up the screen, and my research benefited greatly from memories. My condolences to you and your family. If you ever have time, I would be delighted to connect with you and possibly find out a little more about her upbringing, etc. Although she wasn't famous, "Gretchen Rudolph" was liked and respected by her fellow travelers in the New York film world and, in my own interactions with her, was a funny, easy-going person I came to like very much.

Michael Bowen - July 08, 2024 at 04:30 PM



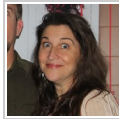
“ *Rita Gretchen Lindabury*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Michael I was so sorry to read of your Mother's passing. I lived next door to the house your uncle Dennis and for a time Rita lived at with their Father. He rented rooms there. I was also in her life again when you were born The picture of her holding you was taken in my back yard. I talked with her over the phone from time to time and didn't see her again after she moved to Topeka. The last time I visited with her she had moved to a home. She loved you very much and was always telling me about you and your family. I cannot attend her services but will say a rosary for her.*
Carol Pyle

Carolyn Pyle - October 27, 2021 at 02:39 PM



Thank you for your kind words and for sharing your memories! We are very grateful for you taking a moment to share them. Mike & Julie Makovec

Julie Makovec - October 28, 2021 at 08:13 PM



Your and my parents were lifelong friends. I remember when you and your mother used to visit your grandparents Charlie and Molly Borton in Durham, KS. Your were a beautiful woman and person. RIP Gretchen.

Richard Belton - December 09, 2022 at 05:14 PM