

## Lola Mae Collins

Sept. 9, 1935 – Sept. 15, 2019

Mrs. Lola Mae Collins, 84, Rochester, passed away at 6:31 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 15, 2019, at St. Joseph Health System, Plymouth.

On Sept. 9, 1935, Lola Mae White was born in Fulton County. She was the cherished daughter of Lester Loy and Virginia G. Swihart White. In 1953, Lola graduated from Talma High School.

In Talma, Lola and Harrold D. Collins were married on July 3, 1955. They shared almost 47 years of life's adventures. From their union came three beautiful daughters, Terry, Carrie and Cindy. The family tree continued to grow with the added blessings of two more generations.

Lola was a devoted member of more than 50 years at Grace United Methodist Church and a member of the Women's Service Guild as well as the United Methodist Women.

In the early years, Lola worked at Rochester's First National Bank. As entrepreneurs, Harrold and Lola opened the Burger Dairy Store in 1966. They served the Rochester area through the convenience and grocery store. In 1976 they moved to a new location across the Ninth Street railroad tracks and named their store Collins Country Charm featuring Dean's milk and expanding the venue to a deli, salad bar and fried chicken. In 1986 a new focus was prominent crafts and antiques. Lola and Harrold were also charter members and a force that initiated the Fulton County Round Barn Festival.

Paramount in Grandma Lola's life was



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her family. With great pride, she was proud to oversee four generations and most recently the arrival of her first great-granddaughter, Olivia Mae. Holidays and special family celebrations were great times of making memories of a lifetime.

Left to cherish the memory of Lola are three daughters, Terry J. Ward and husband Mike, Rochester, Carrie L.

Ranstead and husband Rick, Rochester, and Cindy J. Boor and husband Billy, Downers Grove, Ill.; six grandchildren, Ashlee Worrasangasilpa and husband Brian, Amie Reichl and husband Ryan, Ryan Ranstead and wife Shaylee, Nicole Ranstead, Lilly Boor and Liam Boor; and one great-granddaughter, Olivia Mae Worrasangasilpa.

Lola was preceded in death by her parents, Lester and Virginia White; and beloved husband Harrold, on May 13, 2002.

A celebration of the life of Mrs. Lola Mae Collins will be at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 21, 2019, at the Good Family Funeral Home, 1200 W. 18th St., Rochester. Pastor Kurt Nichols will officiate. Friends may visit with the family from 4-8 p.m. on Friday and one hour prior to the service Saturday at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Rochester IOOF.

Memorials may be made to the Grace United Methodist Church, 201 W. Seventh St., Rochester, IN 46975. Electronic expressions of sympathy may be made to her family at [www.goodfamilyfh.com](http://www.goodfamilyfh.com).

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