



Gayle Arlyne Wagner

December 14, 1939 - August 20, 2023

Gayle Arlyne Wagner, 83, of Beech Grove, passed away August 20, 2023. She was born December 14, 1939 in St. James, Minnesota to the late Charles and Arlyne (Malmgren) Ringeisen. In her early years, Gayle was a master baton twirler and graduate of Long Prairie High School in Minnesota. She began her career as a Medical Technician in Wyoming where she went on to meet her husband, Gene, through the happiest of accidents leading to their marriage on April 15, 1961. Gayle received her Bachelor's degree from IUPUI in Communications and won the college speech competition. Upon graduation, she became a Video Producer narrating and editing training videos. Gayle was also a founding member of the family business, Wagner Signs, where she worked side by side with her loved ones for over 3 decades. Gayle was so much more than a daughter, sister, wife, mother, college graduate, medical technician, videographer, and a sign-maker. This was exemplified through her life's passions of which there were many. She was a master seamstress, avid runner, gymnastics judge/teacher, golfer, tennis player, gardener, chef, holiday decorator, creative writer, conversationalist, and most of all grandmother to her grandchildren (the Magnificent Seven) who held a special place in her heart.

A memorial calling will be held Friday, September 22, 2023 from 12:00 p.m. until 1:45 p.m. in the Franciscan Room at Holy Name Catholic Church, 89 North 17th Street, Beech Grove. A Funeral Mass will follow at 2:00 p.m.

Gayle is survived by her loving husband of 62 years, Gene Wagner; son, Todd Wagner (Jill); daughters, Beth McMinn and Cris Mahern (Jim); brother, Steven Ringeisen (Judy); and seven grandchildren, Jack, Ryder, Annie, Aidan, Molly, Connor and Claire. Gayle was preceded in death by her siblings, Michael Ringeisen (Gina), Lynn Ringeisen, and Lynaise Ringeisen. Final arrangements and care are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Thompson Road Chapel.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

SEP **22**. 12:00 PM - 1:45 PM (ET)

Franciscan Room, Holy Name Catholic Church
89 North 17th Street
Beech Grove, IN 46107

Funeral Mass

SEP **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Holy Name Catholic Church
89 North 17th Street
Beech Grove, IN 46107

Tribute Wall



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Gayle Arlyne Wagner.*



September 21, 2023 at 02:33 PM



“ *Janie Herrick Justus and Walt Justus purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Gayle Arlyne Wagner.*



Janie Herrick Justus and Walt Justus - September 20, 2023 at 01:33 PM



“ *Janie Herrick Justus and Walt Justus planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gayle Arlyne Wagner.*

Janie Herrick Justus and Walt Justus - September 20, 2023 at 01:33 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Gayle Arlyne Wagner.*



September 19, 2023 at 11:51 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gayle Arlyne Wagner.

September 19, 2023 at 11:51 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Gayle Arlyne Wagner.



September 19, 2023 at 12:49 AM



“ Michael & Nancy Trowbridge Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Gayle Arlyne Wagner.



Michael & Nancy Trowbridge Family - September 18, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ Michael & Nancy Trowbridge Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gayle Arlyne Wagner.

Michael & Nancy Trowbridge Family - September 18, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ I am saddened to hear that Gayle has passed away. An aunt is someone to remember with warmth, pride and love. Learning of her death has filled my thoughts with so many amazing, funny & absolutely beautiful memories of Gayle, and the whole family, while spending summers by the lake. RIP my beautiful aunt!
-Tim R.

Timothy Ringeisen - September 07, 2023 at 03:50 PM

CM

“ Cindy M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Gayle Arlyne Wagner.

Cindy M. - September 04, 2023 at 10:28 PM

CM

“ Dear Cris, Jim, Aidan, Conner and Family,
We are so sorry to hear your Mother passed away. I don't believe we ever met your beautiful Mother, but she sounds like a wonderful person. Cris, I see her in you. My heart goes out to you. Our sincere, sympathies to you all. Love, The McClure's, Kevan, Cindy and Harrison



Cindy McClure - September 04, 2023 at 06:32 PM



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Gayle Arlyne Wagner.



August 26, 2023 at 10:27 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gayle Arlyne Wagner.

August 26, 2023 at 10:27 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of my classmate Gayle. I enjoyed her friendship and also cheerleading with her. It is so hard to lose a loved one even if they have been so sick. Treasure all the good memories and be thankful they are in no pain anymore.
Karen (Drevlow) Becker

Karen E Becker - August 26, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Wagner family*
You mean so much to each one of us in the Sandberg family!
So very sorry for the loss of your mother and our friend.
Gayle was my 1st Cub Scout den mother. She really brought our family's together with the help of our mom.
Have missed all of you over the last few years and again very sorry for your loss. As we believe Gayle is in a better place. Love you all!

Gene if you need anything at all give me a call

RIP Gayle

Bob Brandy Joe Tracie Sandberg

Bob Sandberg - August 25, 2023 at 01:58 PM

KW

“ My friendship with Gayle was only for about 4 months but in those short months I've learned so much and I had so much more to learn but God knows best. Gayle was a woman that wore many hats and I thank God and her family for allowing me to be in her life. A woman so gentle, kind, appreciative and might I add stubborn (she never took no for an answer)! I'm going to miss cooking and playing cards with her, but this is not goodbye it's I'll see you later. Love Kim (keep in mind) that's how she remembered my name. Lol!

Kimberly Williams - August 25, 2023 at 09:18 AM

CM

Kim, we are so incredibly grateful for the kindness you showed my mom.
You were an incredible caretaker - indulging my mom with being her souls chef, personal shopper and fun activities. You are one of a kind and so appreciate the humor and love you shared with my mom and our family.

Cris Mahern - August 25, 2023 at 09:45 AM

GW

Kim
You were more than a Caregiver, Gayle loved when you came and helped her with daily chores. You know she always wanted to bake and cook but needed your eyes to read the directions. Thank you for all you did to make her life easier.
I'm forever grateful.
Gene

Gene Wagner - August 25, 2023 at 12:25 PM

SG

My friendship with Gayle was too short. We were Florida (Tamiami Village) neighbors for a couple of seasons. Loved her stories, especially about children and grand children. I will miss seeing her tend to her plants and her puppy, don't know who walked who there, lol, she sat and he sniffed. So very cute together. Will miss seeing her out my kitchen window. RIP my friend. Sharon Gruff

sharon gruff - August 25, 2023 at 03:02 PM

BR

We are so saddened with the news of Gayle's passing. She will forever be in our hearts. As neighbors these past few years at Tamami Village we so much enjoyed our conversations over a meal or card game and seeing her out and about. Small in stature but a lady of remarkable strength. She never failed to keep Gene in line. Gayle was so proud of her family and would share their many accomplishments and display many family photos and mementos at their Florida home. We will miss her "to the point" "No nonsense" approach. Cherish the memories. Sending love and prayers to Gene and family. Joan and Boyd Rowe

Boyd Rowe - August 26, 2023 at 01:12 PM

JD

*My condolences to the Wagner family. Gayle was such a wonderful gymnastics judge and gym mom.
Joan DeVeau*

joan deveau - September 17, 2023 at 11:59 AM