



Deloris Eloise Newkirk

November 2, 1930 - January 27, 2025

Deloris Eloise Ausman (Cone) Newkirk, beloved mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and aunt, passed away on January 27, 2025 at 10:05 p.m. at the age of 94. Deloris was born on November 2, 1930 in the country outside of Bloomfield, Indiana to Owen Edgar and Mary (Sensney) Ausman. She grew up in Lyons, Indiana with her siblings, John Robert Sensney, Charles Wesley Ausman, Perry Lee Ausman and Owen Richard Ausman. Deloris attended Lyons High School. She was "Mother" to 5 children, who survive her: Michael J. Cone, of Freelandville, Indiana, Jeanne A. Fields, of Franklin, Indiana, Judith N. Reynolds (Brett) of Freelandville, Indiana, John A. Newkirk, of Westphalia, Indiana and James S. Newkirk (Jeanna), of Edwardsport, Indiana. She is also survived by a brother, Perry Lee Ausman (Caroline) of Linton, Indiana, 16 grandchildren, 31 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews, along with Michele Daffron, of Vincennes, Indiana, a very much-loved friend. Deloris was preceded in death by her parents and 3 of her brothers, John R. Sensney of Indianapolis, Indiana, Charles W. Ausman of Battle Ground, Indiana and Owen Richard Ausman of St. Francisville, Illinois.

Deloris was a past member of the Rebekah Lodge in Edwardsport, Lifetime Member of American Legion Auxiliary Post 479 in Lyons, Indiana, Greene County Homemaker Extension Club and Marco Methodist Church.

Deloris was known for her beautiful hand crocheted lace and she also

crocheted hundreds of tiny hats and booties for hospital NICUs. She overcame obstacles in her life that would have challenged a sighted person and always did her best for her children and helped everyone she could. She loved music and sang & played piano. Despite being blind since her early twenties, she was never limited by it and moved through life with a fierce confidence, living independently until Christmas Day 2024. She was truly an amazing person who will be missed.

There will be a private family viewing at 11:00 at Jenkins Funeral Home in Bloomfield, Indiana, with public graveside services following at 12:00 on Thursday, January 30 at Prairie Chapel Cemetery on Hwy. 57, outside of Lyons, Indiana. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial contributions be made to: Indiana Talking Book & Braille Library, Indiana State Library, 140 N. Senate Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204, which has provided Deloris many hours of enjoyment since 1985.

Cemetery Details

Prairie Chapel Cemetery

Lyons, IN

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 30. 12:00 PM (ET)

Prairie Chapel Cemetery
Lyons, IN

Tribute Wall

MC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Michael J Cone - June 12, 2025 at 09:06 AM

JR

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Judy Newkirk Reynolds - January 30, 2025 at 01:01 AM

JR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Judy Newkirk Reynolds - January 30, 2025 at 12:48 AM

TF

“ *The Waugh family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Deloris Eloise Newkirk.*



The Waugh family - January 29, 2025 at 08:46 PM

JR

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Judy Newkirk Reynolds - January 29, 2025 at 08:45 PM

TG

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Tracy Guy - January 29, 2025 at 02:02 PM

MC

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Michael J Cone - January 29, 2025 at 12:24 PM

MC

Deloris and Son Michael 1951

Michael Cone - January 31, 2025 at 03:57 PM

MC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Michael J Cone - January 29, 2025 at 12:23 PM

MC

Deloris and Son Michael 1950

Michael Cone - January 31, 2025 at 03:57 PM

VD

“ *Vigo Township Fire Department planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Deloris Eloise Newkirk.*

Vigo Township Fire Department - January 29, 2025 at 11:16 AM

VD

“ *Vigo Township Fire Department purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Deloris Eloise Newkirk.*



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