



Ilse G. Ruppert

January 24, 1937 - February 24, 2025

In Loving Memory of Ilse Ruppert

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the peaceful passing of Ilse Ruppert, age 88, on February 24, 2025, surrounded by the love of her family.

Born on January 24, 1937, in Stuttgart, Germany, Ilse was one of nine children born to Franz and Paula Hoeflacher. She was preceded in death by her beloved parents and her brothers Rolf, Siegfried, and Gunther. In the 1950s, Ilse immigrated to the United States, ultimately finding a loving home in Ridgebury Township, Pennsylvania, where she lived with her cherished family. Ilse is now reunited in eternal rest with her late husband, Horst, her son Tomas, and her daughter, Susanne Mattingly.

A woman of warmth and wit, Ilse found joy in simple pleasures, from fiercely competitive games of Yahtzee with loved ones to the quiet comfort of card games shared at her dining room table. Her talent for knitting was unmatched, and she lovingly created beautiful, handmade garments that she gifted to her family over the years. Ilse's sense of humor could brighten any room, and her boundless compassion left a lasting impact on all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Ilse's deep love for nature and animals was evident in her daily life. She took great joy in feeding the birds, squirrels, chipmunks, and cats that frequently visited her deck. Her home was always filled with the presence of pets, and her love for the natural world inspired those around her. Though her ear will no longer hear their songs, the birds will surely sing a little softer in her

absence.

Ilse leaves behind her four sisters, Gerda Witt, Marianne Rathmann, Irene Feuchter and Ingrid Proschl as well as her brother Dieter. She is also survived by her nieces Andrea Wilburn (Garry), Christine Ray (Darrin), and Patricia Wagnecz (Wayne), along with her great nieces and nephews, extended family members in Germany and Norway, and her dear relative, Horst Witt, all of whom carry her legacy forward.

Her memory will be cherished forever by all who knew her. A private celebration of Ilse's life will be held on March 22, 2025, officiated by Pastor Tim Robinson. Memories and condolences may be expressed by visiting www.bowenfuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ I just found out about Ilse Passing,I am saddened to hear this,I spent many summers at the Ruppert house as a young kid ,they were Family friends since I can remember,I always reminisce about those times and will always cherish those Memories in my heart forever! RIP Ilse,tell Horst Tommy and Suzie I never forgot them n say hi for me !

Walter Scholdra - September 08, 2025 at 08:39 AM

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“ Sorry to hear of ilse passing. Very good friend of my Grammy Collins.



Bonnie - March 06, 2025 at 04:22 AM

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“ She will miss so sorry for your loss

John Huntington - February 27, 2025 at 05:53 PM

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“ So many memories of Ilsa and Gerta sitting at the kitchen table sipping beer with Grandma Collins. The stories, the laughs, and the German accent coming out more and more as the beer glasses were refilled. RIP

Kimberly Spencer - February 27, 2025 at 05:10 PM