



Rena Pruitt

August 20, 1941 - October 23, 2022

Rena (West) Pruitt, 81, of Monrovia, passed from this life and entered the gates of Heaven on Sunday, October 23, 2022, while in the comfort of her home. She was born in Hyden, KY on August 20, 1941, to the late Hughie and America (Couch) West.

Raised in the hills and hollers of Eastern Kentucky, Rena was the oldest daughter of nine children born to a hard-working coal miner, who lovingly referred to her as daddy's girl. She and her siblings spent their childhoods running the woods, playing in nearby creeks, and on special occasions the kids were allowed to take trips to town with their father. As the coal mining business began to slow, the family made the northern trek to Indiana for a more prosperous life. At the tender age of fifteen, she met the man she would spend the rest of her life with, Marion Pruitt.

Through the years Rena was employed with RCA in Bloomington, the Wilbur Store, as well as a waitress and cook for Blue and White and 76 Truck Stops, retiring in her 50's to devote her life caring for her beloved grandchildren. Known as Grandma Sancho or Grandma Poo Poo, she was a committed matriarch, always keeping her tight knit family close to her.

A Godly woman, Rena enjoyed tending her flowers, cleaning the house from top to bottom, and creating mouthwatering meals from scratch. With a

tremendous sense of humor, she was quite the character, she was known to shoot straight from the hip, was full of sugar and spice, had absolutely no filter, and lived life to the fullest. Leaving behind a treasured legacy of friends and family, she will be deeply and forever missed by all who knew her.

Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by her siblings, Pitman, Kelly, Jimmy "Jewel", Minor, and Mickey West, and Mary Eve Lambert.

Rena leaves behind her devoted husband of 64 years, Marion Francis Pruitt; children, Francine Hinshaw (Bruce), Tommy Pruitt, Jenny Stormday (Jim) and Mark Pruitt (Kim), all of Monrovia; siblings, Ruth Carol of Bruner, KY, and Eugene West (Judy) of Ocala, FL; grandchildren, Joshua Hinshaw (Jamie), Chad Hinshaw (Kelsey), Hannah Wright (Willy), Ryan Storm (Morgan), Derek Storm, and Dylan Day, all of Monrovia, Brittany Tincher (Tommy) of Greencastle, and Michael Pruitt (Jessica) of Danville; along with twelve great grandchildren with one on the way.

Cremation and Funeral Arrangements have been entrusted to Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia. Friends and family are invited to gather on Wednesday, October 26, from 4pm to 7pm at the funeral home, with a Celebration of Life Service beginning promptly at 7pm. Pastor Gary LaFary will officiate, and Rena will be inurned at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Hall at a later date. To share a favorite story, sign the online guest registry or light a candle in Rena's memory, please search @MonroviaFuneralHome or visit www.lightmemorial.com.

Cemetery Details

Mt Pleasant Cemetery, Hall

5409 W. Hurt Road
Monrovia, IN 46157

Previous Events

Friends & Family Gathering

OCT 26. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel
585 East Main Street
Monrovia, IN 46157
(317) 996-2101
<https://www.lightmemorial.com>

Celebration of Life Service

OCT 26. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *OMG Kissed Renas funeral. She was a good one*



Lol Eubanks - October 28, 2022 at 10:22 AM

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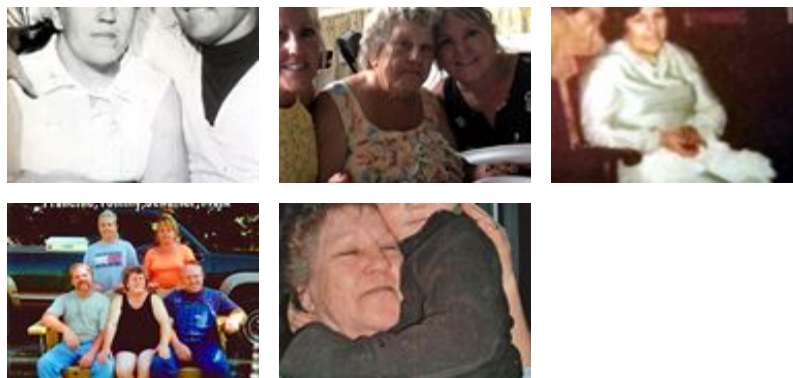
“ *Grandma was one of the best loving , caring and let you what's what woman I ever had the pleasure to known. As a young boy I and Ryan we would get into some trouble she would let's us know what we should be doing instead of what we were and fed us well. I have known that wonderful woman my whole life and her grace and wisdom and personality will forever be in my memory. I know heaven has gotten a new angel and one with the character to bring smiles for eternity.*

J.P

J.P - October 26, 2022 at 06:19 PM



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Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - October 26, 2022 at 11:22 AM

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“ So Sorry for your loss. She was Beautiful person inside and out.
Prayers for all the Family. Ruth sure will miss her phone calls..

Sheila Pennington - October 23, 2022 at 05:18 PM

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Love the Pruitt family. My neighbors throughout my childhood.

My fondest memory of Rena was when my Mom was sick. She was bedridden and an older girl in the neighborhood was picking on me. The bully's Mom came after my mother because I fought this girl and whopped her butt.

Rena heard what was going on and came over to our house and whipped the bully's Momma rear.

She protected my Moma and our family.

She was a real neighbor and friend. No one was allowed to bully the ones she loved. Period.

Shelly Terrell-Zook - October 23, 2022 at 05:51 PM