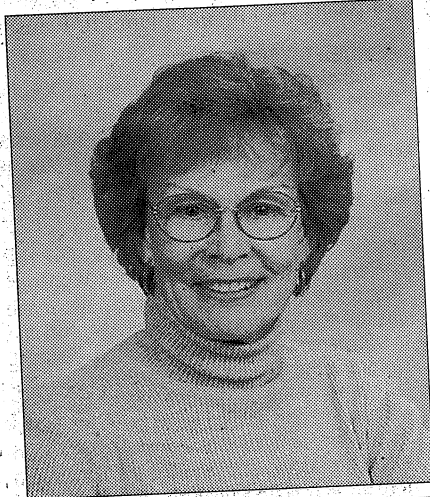


## Marilyn Gillespie Keenan Rozendaal

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Marilyn Gillespie Keenan Rozendaal, 88, passed away peacefully on Monday, January 2, 2023, at Kavanagh House in Des Moines.

Born June 14, 1934, in Grinnell, Iowa, to C. Ithel and Ruth (McCulloch) Gillespie, Marilyn attended school in Ladora and Newburg. Following graduation in 1952, she married Kenneth Keenan. They raised six children and dairy farmed in Jasper County from 1956 until 1986.

Marilyn and Kenneth divorced in 1996. In 2008, she married

Robert (Bob) Rozendaal of Sully. They were active in the Newburg Congregational Church and the Sully First Reformed Church.

Marilyn was preceded in death by her parents, husband Robert Rozendaal, daughter Janet Keenan, brother Howard Gillespie, sister Carolyn Risch, former husband Kenneth Keenan, step daughter-in-law Crissie Rozendaal, infant grandson Joseph Hirl, and infant granddaughter Megan McKelvey.

Marilyn is survived by her five of her children: Pamela (Dennis) Vogel of Des Moines, Shirley Keenan of Johnston, Gary (Gail Perkins) Keenan of Des Moines, Marcia McKelvey (Dennis Magnuson) of Decorah, Glen (Missy) Keenan of Des Moines, and 15 grandchildren. Marilyn is also survived by 17 great-grandchildren, sister Eleanor Osland (Grinnell), stepchildren Dale (Jana) Rozendaal (Lynnville), Marla (Eugene) Sjaardema (Reasnor), Dennis Rozendaal (Cedar Rapids), Rodney (Dana) Rozendaal (Sully), Ross (Kara) Rozendaal (AZ), and many step grandchildren.

An open house with Marilyn's family will take place Friday, May 12, from 5-8 p.m. at St. Francis Community Center, at 2021 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Grinnell. A memorial service will be Saturday, May 13, at 10:30 a.m. at Grinnell United Methodist Church, followed by a luncheon. Family and friends are welcome. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Marilyn's name to Special Olympics Iowa, EveryStep Hospice, The Arc of Iowa, or the Alzheimer's Association.