

Bernice Kenkel, 72

March 9, 1944 - Nov. 14, 2016

TWIN LAKES — Bernice C. Sturm was born March 9, 1944 at Fort Benning, GA and graduated from Carroll Kuemper High School in 1962. She was united in marriage to Neil Kenkel on September 29, 1962 in Earling. They lived in Harlan for 15 years, Humboldt for 20 years, and moved to Twin Lakes in 1999. Bernice was employed at the Humboldt County Public Health Office. She was a member of Saint Francis Catholic Church and the Rosary Society. Bernice C. Kenkel passed away Monday, November 14, 2016 at her home surrounded by family at age 72.

Bernice was preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Elizabeth (Loew) Sturm; brother, Don Sturm; and nephew, Brian Byerink. She is survived by her husband, Neil Kenkel; daughter, Michelle (Brian) Egemo of Badger; son, Curtis (Mary) Kenkel of Eagan, MN; 5 grandchildren, Justin Hovey, Leah Hovey, Karlee Egemo, Isabel Kenkel, and Alison Kenkel; 2 great grandchildren, Khian Hovey and Jocelyn Walton; brother, Dick (Mavis) Sturm of Denver, CO; sister Barb (Bob) Byerink of Vail; sister-in-law, Mary Sturm of Carroll, and brother-in-law, Gary (JoAnn) Kenkel of Harlan; many nieces, nephews, and aunts.

Friends called after 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at the Palmer Swank Funeral Home in Rockwell City. A prayer service began at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday. Funeral services were at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, November 17, 2016 at Saint Francis Catholic Church, Rockwell City with Fr. Dave Esquiliano and Fr. Brian Danner officiating the Mass of Christian Burial.

Memorials may be left for family discretion.