



## Ruth Kerr

January 14, 2012

Ruth May Kerr a resident of Brigden Road, Wallaceburg, passed away peacefully at the Chatham Hospital on Saturday, January 14, 2012 at the age of 87. Daughter of the late Guy & Olive (Jordan) Colton. Beloved wife of the late Elwood L. Kerr (2003). Dear mother of Priscilla & John Banville, Ron & Madeleine Kerr, Becky & Dr. Don Munnings, Martha & Ivan Willmore, Grace & Mark Martin, Joe & Lisa Kerr and the late Art Kerr (2000) and Tim Kerr (2006). Mother-in-law of Charlene Kerr and Laura Kerr. Dear grandmother of many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Sister of Audrey Kerr (late Delbert) and the late James Colton. Friends may call at the HAYCOCK-CAVANAGH FUNERAL HOME, 409 Nelson Street in Wallaceburg from 2-4 & 7-9 PM on Tuesday. The funeral service will be conducted at the funeral home on Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at 1:30 PM. Interment will follow at Riverview Cemetery. If desired, remembrances to the Gideons may be left at the funeral home. 519.627.3231. Online tributes may be left at [www.CavanaghFuneralHome.ca](http://www.CavanaghFuneralHome.ca)

# Tribute Wall



“ Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruth Kerr



Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home - January 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Ruth Kerr

January 29, 2023 at 11:37 PM



“ Michelle Ubels lit a candle in memory of Ruth Kerr



Michelle Ubels - March 25, 2017 at 08:42 PM

“ Tribute to Grandma Kerr,

*I have never met a more lovely soul than Grandma's. Every time I think of the great saints that I know, Ruth Kerr is the first person that comes to mind. If I were to start naming her virtues, this would be a very long tribute, however, a few really do shine.*

*Grace – Grandma endured a lot of difficulties in her life, but she faced all of them with a generous dose of God's grace. I have never seen such lifelong serenity, and am unlikely to see it again.*

*Industry – Grandma lived Proverbs 31 and got far less than her due reward for it.*

*Humility – Grandma has always been the handmaid of the Lord to her family, but she never thought of herself as anything extraordinary.*

*Love – Grandma was not perfect, of course, but she showed all of us what agape – the unconditional love of God – looks like over and over and over again.*

*I will miss Grandma terribly, but I know she wanted nothing more than to be with Jesus and I know that every time I remember her, it can't help but make me a better person, because of her shining example.*

*Wendy Willmore – Granddaughter, daughter of Martha (Kerr)  
Willmore*

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**Wendy Willmore** - January 24, 2012 at 08:57 AM

“How can I say thanks for the things that you have done for me Things so undeserved, yet you did to prove your love for me ....”

*These words written by Andre Crouch about Jesus Christ in a favourite song, reflect some of my thoughts about my beloved Mother.*

*Words cannot express how blessed I have been to have a Mom whose entire life was a reflection of the love she had for her Lord and Saviour. One of her greatest desires was that her words, her conversations, her thoughts, her actions, and her attitudes would bring honour to her Jesus. She was always purposefully careful with her words, being very careful not to offend anyone.*

*Her unconditional and selfless love will be etched in my memory forever. I have never known anyone who was so gracious and thankful, in spite of the endless challenges that came her way. She was always positive and looked to her Lord for answers to life's problems.*

*Even in her last few years, when her eyesight failed her, she would say ... “God tells us to be content if we have food and raiment, and that isn't even a roof over your head. And I have food and raiment, so I choose to be content, even if I cannot see.” It was her greatest desire to be OBEDEIENT to whatever the Lord told her to do.*

*Mom was the most honest person I have ever known. If she found a penny on the floor in a room after having guests, she would scotch tape it on a piece of paper and mail it back to them.*

*Mom was a missionary her entire life ... even though she never went to a foreign field, she always had her pockets filled with tracts or Sunday School papers, and she faithfully gave to them to every store clerk, bank clerk, etc., and during her later years when she was more confined to her home, she would give one to every Meals on Wheels person who came with deliveries to her apartment. If*

*anyone ever deserved the greeting in heaven, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant," it was my Mother. She was a woman after God's own heart.*

*A forever grateful daughter,  
Martha Willmore*

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**Martha Willmore** - January 24, 2012 at 08:49 AM

DW

“ *Diane Whitmore lit a candle in memory of Ruth Kerr*



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**Diane Whitmore** - January 20, 2012 at 12:32 PM

KF

“ *Kim Bennett & Family lit a candle in memory of Ruth Kerr*



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**Kim Bennett & Family** - January 20, 2012 at 09:15 AM

RK

“ *Ray, Kim, And Janis Koyanagi lit a candle in memory of Ruth Kerr*



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**Ray, Kim, and Janis Koyanagi** - January 20, 2012 at 09:14 AM

JS

“ *Jim Stanley lit a candle in memory of Ruth Kerr*



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**jim stanley** - January 19, 2012 at 08:35 AM

JF

“ *John And Mary Van Damme And Family lit a candle in memory of Ruth Kerr*



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**John and Mary Van Damme and Family** - January 17, 2012 at 04:28 PM

DE

“ *With our sincere sympathies - from Dave & Jean Elliott and the staff of Wallaceburg Automotive Inc.*



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**Dave & Jean Elliott** - January 17, 2012 at 02:16 PM

NH

“ *Grace, Mark and boys...  
Among God's best gifts to us are the people who love us, the heart  
always has room for beautiful memories... our thoughts & prayers  
are with you  
Nancy & Bob Hillman*

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**Nancy Hillman** - January 17, 2012 at 01:19 PM



“ Tribute to Ruth Kerr

*Thankful, my grandmother lived the holiday of Thanksgiving every day of her life. It did not matter how bad the circumstances where; Grandma Kerr was thankful. I think of the dynamic group of people that make up Grandma's tree of Life that she calls a family tree, and it is full of farming moguls, surgeons, business professionals and entrepreneurs. No matter what formidable obstacles, could be presented as a bad day or a horrible life changing event, Ruth's response would be "I am thankful dear". I believe that Grandma said this from the heart every time since her faith in Jesus Christ was so strong that no matter what could happen to us on this earth, it was a blessing from God and we should find a way to be thankful for it. Even if you were not a friend or relative of Ruth Kerr; you would feel loved after having had a conversation with her. I am blessed and thankful to have had Ruth Kerr as my Grandmother.*



*David Willmore, Grandson, son of Martha (Kerr) Willmore*

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**David Willmore** - January 17, 2012 at 08:25 AM

CK

*David that was wonderful & so Gramma. God Bless you sweetie*

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**Charlene Kerr** - January 17, 2012 at 09:35 AM

BA

“ *Our prayers will be with the Kerr family. So sorry for your loss, Lisa, Joe and families.*  
*Brett and Sue Anderson*



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**Brett and Sue Anderson** - January 16, 2012 at 08:43 PM

RR

“ *Ray And MaryLou Racz lit a candle in memory of Ruth Kerr*



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**Ray and MaryLou Racz** - January 16, 2012 at 08:11 PM

JS

“ *Grace & Mark,  
Our heartfelt condolences on the loss of your mom. God has called her home to the room he has prepared for her but she will live forever in your heart and in your memories. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Love,  
Jim, Jan, Ashley & Matt Shantz*

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**Jim & Jan Shantz** - January 16, 2012 at 05:32 PM

CF

“ *Cathy Van Damme & Family lit a candle in memory of Ruth Kerr*



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**Cathy Van Damme & family** - January 16, 2012 at 03:50 PM

JG

“ *Ruth Colton Kerr and her sister Audrey were among my mom, Virginia Tillesen Klassen's very first Christian friends. The Coltons brought my mom to Sunday School in Chicago many, many years ago when the girls were young teenagers. All my life I have heard how much this family blessed my mom with their loving care and spiritual nurturing. My mom is 89 now and not really able to communicate, but she would want you all to know, especially Audrey, how much she treasured her friendship with Ruth and Audrey over the past 70 years. Phone calls, cards and letters kept them in touch, and the hope of being together forever in the Lord's presence is a comfort beyond measure for mom and for all of us when those we love pass on into their promised rest.*

*Judy Klassen Gallagher (NJ)*

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**Judy Klassen Gallagher** - January 16, 2012 at 03:09 PM

JG

“ *John and Janice Gonyou*



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**John Gonyou** - January 16, 2012 at 09:00 AM

AS

“ *Arden And Virginia Smith lit a candle in memory of Ruth Kerr*



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**Arden and Virginia Smith** - January 16, 2012 at 08:18 AM

CK

“ *Charlene Kerr lit a candle in memory of Ruth Kerr*



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**Charlene kerr** - January 16, 2012 at 06:36 AM

MG

“ *Grandma Kerr was an amazing person. She is the strongest person I have ever known. I am truly sorry for your lost.*

*Michelle Gallerno*

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**Michelle Gallerno** - January 16, 2012 at 06:15 AM



“ *Chloe Kerr lit a candle in memory of Ruth Kerr*



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**chloe kerr** - January 15, 2012 at 07:21 PM

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“ *Ruth Kerr, My Grandma! A woman of grace and kindness. Never have I known a person who personifies a Proverbs 31 woman in such a sure way. Through many trials I witnessed her unmovable faith in Jesus. She always maintained a strong Christlike character in all she did. She loved well, she taught well, and I will never forget her soft, welcoming voice or her home baked cookies as we ran in from the barn or fields. Grandma opened her arms to my souse and 4 children, her great grandchildren. Always having a treat ready, such as popcorn balls, juice or cookies. She never forgot a birthday with a verse of encouragement and she was always willing to just sit and listen. Thank you Grandma to showing me Jesus, to bringing me to a place where I first learned about who God is and for loving me in-spite of my imperfections. And I thank You, Lord for the blessing of my Grandma who you placed in my life for this specific purpose. Love Rebecca Doyon (Kerr)*

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**Rebecca Doyon (Kerr)** - January 15, 2012 at 03:46 PM

SK

“ *Dear Grace and Mark, We were sorry to hear about your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. May Jesus comfort your hearts. Gary and Sherrill Kivell*

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**Sherrill Kivell** - January 15, 2012 at 02:11 PM

RN

“ *2 files added to the album New Album Name*



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**Rhonda Neil** - January 15, 2012 at 01:52 PM

DF

“ *Condolences to the family*

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**Don and Margie Fuoco** - January 15, 2012 at 12:49 PM