



## Willodean L. Kocher

December 31, 1926 - November 17, 2011

Willodean L. Kocher, age 84, of Huntington, died Thursday (November 17, 2011) at her home.

Willodean was born December 31, 1926, in Rockford Township, Huntington County, the daughter of Lyle and Hazel (Tribolet) Labertew. She graduated from Huntington High School in 1945. Willodean married Donald E. Kocher on June 19, 1949 in Huntington and he preceded her in death on May 22, 2008.

Mrs. Kocher retired in 1989 from Western & Southern Life Insurance Company where she worked in the Huntington office for over 18 years. Prior to that, she did clerical work for David Culp & Co. for 10 years. Willodean was a member of St. Peter's First Community Church, L & O Club, Thursday Evening Bunco Club and the Women's Circle at the church.

Willodean is survived by one son - Philip (Beverly) Kocher of Quincy, Ohio, one daughter - Barbara Seemeyer of Bloomington, three granddaughters - Allison Kocher, Jennifer Reeves and Jill Rogers and three great-grandchildren - Tyler Reeves, Taylor Rogers and Brian Rogers. Her parents, husband, sisters - Joan Harlan and Evelyn Ambler, and son-in-law - Steve Seemeyer preceded her in death.

Visitation will be from 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. Monday (November 21, 2011) at Bailey-

Love Mortuary. Funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday (November 22, 2011) at Bailey-Love Mortuary. Burial will be at Gardens of Memory, Huntington.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Peter's First Community Church in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN 46750.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Peter's First Cemetery

1316-1498 US-24  
Huntington, IN 46750

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 21. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary  
35 West Park Drive  
Huntington, IN 46750  
(260) 356-1710  
wecare@baileylove.com  
<https://www.baileylove.com>

## Service

NOV 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Willodean L. Kocher



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - November 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Our prayers and sympathies to the Kocher family. Bob and Caroyln Hosier

Carolyn Hosier - November 22, 2011 at 04:07 PM



Carolyn-thank you for your prayers & support. I know that mom & dad really enjoyed you & Bob. Phil Kocher

Philip Kocher - November 26, 2011 at 09:18 AM



“ I just took a lunch break from work here and took a walk and was thinking of you all in Huntington and that maybe there would be some info here. When the picture of Aunt Willie came up here, her death really hit me. As many have said here, both your parents were awesome. Aunt Willie always made me feel so welcome and happy to see me whenever I saw her. I am really going to miss her and the warmth and love I felt when visiting at your parents home and at the lake or she dropped by at mom's house. Love Nubs.

Jo Snobarger - November 22, 2011 at 02:49 PM



*Nubs-thanks for taking time to write something. All those days of family gatherings at holidays, etc. will always be cherished. The 3 sisters meant the world to each other.*

**Philip Kocher** - November 26, 2011 at 09:21 AM

LK

“ *Deepest sympathy to the whole family. I didn't really get to know your Mom that well until 3 years ago when my Mom was so sick in the hospital. She and Evelyn came every few days and were great support for my sister and me. They made us laugh at a time when laughter didn't come easily. What a pair those two were! I'm so glad that I had the chance to know your Mom better since then and to know what a wonderful and kind woman she was. I had hoped to be at the funeral but am unable to make it. I will be thinking of her and all of you today. God bless her and God bless you.*  
*Lynn Kinder (Carolyn's daughter)*

**Lynn Kinder** - November 22, 2011 at 06:45 AM

RS

“ *Our thoughts are with your family at this time.*

*The Sands' Family*

**Ric Sands** - November 21, 2011 at 04:56 PM



*Ric, I really appreciate your message of thoughtfulness.*

**Philip Kocher** - November 26, 2011 at 09:37 AM



“ Philip & Barb:

*You have my sympathy. You had a great Mom!! What great memories we had on S. Jefferson St. I will remember them forever. I won't make it to the funeral. I'll explain later.*

*I will always remember your Mother & mine talking across the driveway while fixing supper! Also going to the Herald-Press to clean, while we messed around. I miss your Dad also. Great fun at Loon Lake. God bless you in your grief.*

*Ed & Carolyn Rahn*

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**Edwin Rahn** - November 21, 2011 at 02:55 PM



*Ed-thanks for taking the time to write such nice things. Our families were "family" to each other. Very special!*

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**Philip Kocher** - November 26, 2011 at 09:39 AM

JK

“ Phil and Barb,

*It's hard to find the right words to say how much your mom will be missed. Though I've known her since we were kids, I was blessed to get to know her much better over the past three years at St. Peters. She always had a smile, always loved to joke around and became a dear friend. We had a lot of fun with her at Janet's on a couple of occasions and always enjoyed hearing the stories of your summers at Loon Lake.*

*May God comfort you and your families in the days ahead.*

*Jim & Jody ( Derr ) Kramer*

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**Jody ( Derr ) Kramer** - November 21, 2011 at 09:13 AM



*Jody, thanks for taking the time to write & expressing your thoughts. She was a real "people" person. All my best to you & Jim.*

**Philip Kocher** - November 26, 2011 at 09:41 AM

AC

“ *To Phil, Barb and their families...*

*I was sad to hear of your mother's passing. She was such a sweet lady. She always had a kind word for me when we were neighbors at Loon Lake so many years ago. May she rest in peace.*

*Ann (PeGan) Miller Carr*

**Ann Miller Carr** - November 21, 2011 at 07:10 AM



*Ann-I appreciate your comments. Those days at the lake will forever live in my memory.*

**Philip Kocher** - November 26, 2011 at 09:43 AM

BR

“ *Brenda lit a candle in memory of Willodean L. Kocher*



**Brenda** - November 20, 2011 at 08:22 PM



*Brenda-God bless you for honoring mom's memory.*

**Philip Kocher** - November 26, 2011 at 09:44 AM

JK

*“ I have know Willodean since I was a child and remember her as a friend who always knew how to smile. My uncles was Fred Hippensteel and Willodean and Don became like an aunt and uncle to we three girls.*

*Her family has our sincere sympathy and prayers. She will be greatly missed.*

*Sincerely,*

*Janet Riggs Koehlinger and Bob Koehlinger*

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**Janet Riggs Koehlinger** - November 20, 2011 at 06:17 PM



*Janet-Thank you for your comments. Even I did not know how many people that mom & dad touched. They enjoyed you Uncle Fred & his family very much.*

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**Philip Kocher** - November 26, 2011 at 09:47 AM

RA

*“ I was so sorry to hear of your loss. I am praying for healing for your families. Tanner Michael*

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**RagNMuffin** - November 20, 2011 at 12:48 PM



*Tanner-Without prayers from people like you, the past week would not have been possible. Thanks is not enough.*

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**Philip Kocher** - November 26, 2011 at 09:49 AM

JB

*“ sorry to hear of your loss. jim and i often commented that your mother and father were such kind and cheerful people. just so you know when we think of them we will also be smiling. jim and monet blackburn*

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**james blackburn** - November 20, 2011 at 11:45 AM



*Jim & Monet-Your comments are so much appreciated. It is a real comfort & joy to know that mom & dad were known as being kind & cheerful.*

**Philip Kocher** - November 26, 2011 at 09:51 AM

PK

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**Philip Kocher** - November 19, 2011 at 05:44 PM

PK

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**Philip Kocher** - November 19, 2011 at 05:40 PM

TR

“ *Great Grandma- I will always cherish the times that I got to spend with you. I loved talking to you on the phone and going to the park. I asked Mommy about you and she said that she missed you too.*  
*Love, Taylor*

**Taylor Rogers** - November 19, 2011 at 03:02 PM



*Hi Taylor-It was a real joy to see you. You are very nice little girl. You made your great grandma very proud & happy. I know you will grow up to be a wonderful person just like your mom, grandma, & great grandma.*

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**Philip Kocher** - November 26, 2011 at 09:57 AM