



## Rita Rose Cark

June 4, 1931 - August 31, 2023

Rita Roth Cark passed away peacefully at the Elizabeth Scott Community on August 31, 2023 at age 92. In a life spent in service to others, she dedicated herself most to being a devoted and loving wife, mother, grandmother, daughter and sister.

Rita was born in Toledo to Andrew and Mary Roth. She attended St. Agnes School and graduated in Central Catholic High School's Class of 1949. Following her graduation, she worked in the Accounting Department at Ohio Bell for six years. Rita was married to John J. Cark for 58 years until his death in 2010. She and John had three children, and she was busy being the world's best mom to them for the next three decades.

After her children were largely raised, she was employed as the Auxiliary Services Clerk at St. Ursula Academy for 17 years and as a notary public. Even in her retirement, she stayed busy for more than two decades as a dedicated volunteer at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, and at the University of Toledo Medical Center, where she was the Treasurer of their volunteer organization, the Satellites Auxiliary.

Rita was a long-time member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, where she served on the Finance Committee, and was a Eucharistic Minister and a member of the choir for many years. She was a founding member of St.

Jude's Parish and a member of St. Patrick of Heatherdowns for 19 years, and spent many hours volunteering for those parishes as well as the Ursuline Sisters.

Rita's final years were spent living at the Elizabeth Scott Community in Maumee, where she enjoyed an active social life. Her family wishes to thank the staff at the Elizabeth Scott Community for their endless kindnesses and care.

Surviving are her sons T.J. (Karen) Cark of Hillsdale, MI and John P. (Lynn) Cark of Toledo, and daughter Regina (Greg) Bennett of Highlands Ranch, CO; four grandsons, Kevin (Erica), Steven (Amy), Matthew (Audrey) and Eric Cark; and two step-grandchildren, Thomas Terry and Jennifer Terry. She welcomed great granddaughter Mckenzie in July 2020 along with great grandchildren Kendra, Joseph, Tyler and Preston. Also surviving are her brothers Edward (Barb) Roth, James (Marilyn) Roth and Richard (Sonny) Roth. She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and her brother, Thomas Roth.

Friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S Reynolds Rd on Wednesday September 6, 2023 from 3-7 p.m. where the Scripture Service will be held at 7:00 pm. Funeral services will begin in the mortuary on Thursday Sept. 7th starting at 10:30 am followed by the Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church. Interment services will follow in Resurrection Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family asks you to consider forwarding memorial contributions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 2255 Central Grove, Toledo, OH 43614; or The Elizabeth Scott Community Activities Fund, 2720 Albon Rd., Maumee, OH 43537.

Online condolences may be made at [www.coylefuneralhomes.com/obituaries](http://www.coylefuneralhomes.com/obituaries).



# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

5725 Hill Avenue  
Toledo, OH 43615

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 6. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral Home  
1770 S. Reynolds Road  
Toledo, OH 43614

## Vigil

SEP 6. 7:00 PM - 7:16 PM (ET)

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Toledo, OH 43614

## Funeral Mass

SEP 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
2255 Central Grove  
Toledo, OH 43614

## Graveside Service

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SEP 7. 12:30 PM - 12:45 PM (ET)

Resurrection Cemetery  
5725 Hill Avenue  
Toledo, OH 43615

# Tribute Wall

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“ I had the pleasure of kindling a friendship with Rita at Elizabeth Scott when my mom became her tablemate in the dining room. From day one, Rita was so welcoming and gracious. Sharing stories about her children, her family and friends and her faith always brought a smile to her face as well as to the faces of those around her. She is already missed by many at Elizabeth Scott. Rest in Peace Rita and continue to Sing God's praises in your Heavenly Home.  
Barb H. and daughter Karen



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**Karen S Kiefer** - September 08, 2023 at 10:43 AM

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“ I had the honor of Rita's friendship and the gift of singing with her for many years in the OLPH Choir. She knew the song of my soul. Rest in peace, dear friend.

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**Nanci Riddle** - September 06, 2023 at 09:00 AM

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“ Sonny and dick roth purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Rita Rose Cark.



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**Sonny and dick roth** - September 06, 2023 at 07:34 AM

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“ *Sonny and dick roth planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rita Rose Cark.*

Sonny and dick roth - September 06, 2023 at 07:34 AM

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“ *Heaven has gained another angel! My sister was the epitome of the christian way of life. She spread her love, joy and giving to all who needed it. For me, she was my protector when I was a child; my mentor as an adult and my go to person when I needed her wisdom. You will always be in my heart. I will still communicate with you through prayer. You will be sorely missed Sis. Our loss is Heaven's gain. Love you! (Dick Roth)*

dick roth - September 04, 2023 at 02:54 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Rita Rose Cark.*



September 03, 2023 at 12:11 AM

SR

“ *I will have Rita in my heart forever. When I married her baby brother, she took me into the family like I was her "sister". I could go on and on about how gracious and kind she was. I will just say there is an Angel looking out for all of us today. That was just the way she was - loving others. I know I'll be feeling her angel wings when I least expect it. Rest in Peace Sweet Rita. Rose. Sonny Roth*

Sonny Roth - September 02, 2023 at 02:00 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rita Rose Cark.*



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September 02, 2023 at 07:43 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Rita Rose Cark.*



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September 01, 2023 at 08:06 PM