



Corabelle Mae Crippen

May 22, 1928 - November 10, 2025

Corabelle Mae Crippen, 97, of rural Rochester, Indiana passed surrounded by family at 11:28 pm, Monday, November 10, 2025.

Corabelle was born on May 22, 1928, in Logansport, Indiana, to the late Elvin J. and Florence Bell (Smith) Kistler. She graduated from Grass Creek High School in 1946 and, shortly thereafter, on June 2, 1946, married Charles A. Crippen in Grass Creek. They shared a devoted life together until his passing on February 21, 2008.

A dedicated member of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Corabelle served faithfully as both organist and Sunday school teacher. She also worked as the bookkeeper for Athens Oliver Sales, where she and her husband began operating the dealership in 1957.

Corabelle loved to laugh and enjoyed music, quilting, and spending time with her grandchildren. She cared deeply for her family and also served as a caregiver for many in the community. She lived as a faithful Christian woman. She passed her love of music on to her daughters, and together they enjoyed many cherished moments, including shopping trips.

She is survived by two daughters, Kathleen Sutton and Lorie Hurst both of Rochester; grandchildren, Kenneth and wife Michele Hurst, William and wife

Kimberly Hurst, Terry and wife Trista Hurst, Rob and wife Laura Sutton and Amy and husband T.J. Conrad; and 8 Great Grandchildren.

Corabelle was preceded in death by her parents, husband Chuck; son Charles Leon Crippen; brothers Manford, Delbert, Calvin; sister Frieda Colby; and son-in-laws David Hurst (2024) and Bob Sutton (2025).

The funeral service will be at 11:00 am, Monday, November 17, 2025 at Hartzler Funeral Home, 305 W. Rochester St., Akron, with Pastor Donnie Kohls officiating.

The interment will take place following the service in the Richland Center Cemetery, northwest of Rochester next to her husband.

Visitation will be held from 9 am to 11 am, Monday, November 17, 2025 at Hartzler Funeral Home, Akron, Indiana.

Memorials may be made to Gideon's International and Bethlehem Baptist Church.

Cemetery Details

Richland Center Cemetery

Rochester, IN 46975

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 17. 9:00 AM - 11:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



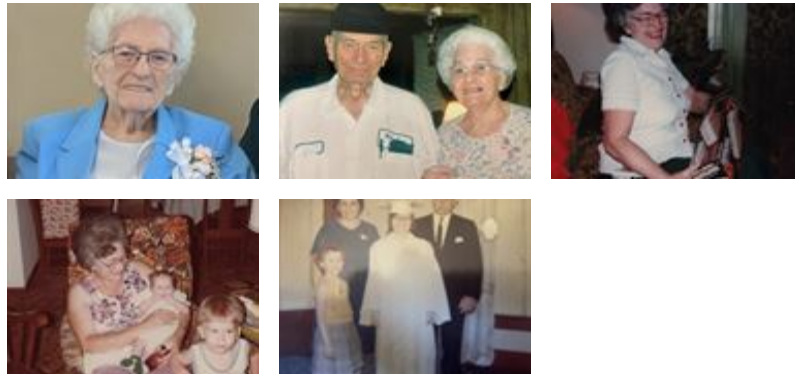
“ Hartzler Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Corabelle Mae Crippen



Hartzler Funeral Services - November 15, 2025 at 02:16 PM



“ 73 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hartzler Funeral Services - November 15, 2025 at 02:14 PM

JE

“ Dear Kathy, Lorie and family of Corabelle. My Thoughts and prayers are with all of you.
Jeanie Cloud



Jean - November 14, 2025 at 02:50 PM

KM

“ Dear Lorie, Kathy, and all the family of Corabelle, we send our sympathy....she lived a blessed Christian life, and touched many lives in a positive way. What a great family that she has left here, and is now in the Heavenly Kingdom. We pray that God will bless you with comfort and strength. With love, Katie and Phil McCarter

Katie and Phil McCarter - November 13, 2025 at 08:11 AM

RH

“ Reg/ Randy S (Pfeiffer) Hartman lit a candle in memory of Corabelle Mae Crippen



Reg/ Randy S (Pfeiffer) Hartman - November 12, 2025 at 09:39 PM