



## Martha May Brands

October 27, 1924 - December 23, 2019

Martha May Brands, 95, of Beecher passed away Monday, December 23, 2019 at Beecher Manor.

She was born October 27, 1924 in Highland, Indiana, daughter of Garrett and Marie (Wiers) Eriks. She married Orlin Brands on March 18, 1945 at her parents' home in Highland, IN.

Martha is survived by two sons; Charles (Sharon) Brands of El Cajon, CA and Thomas (Kimberly) Brands of Kankakee; a daughter, Nancy (Brian) Seehausen of Crete; 7 grandchildren, Wade and Blake Brands, David(Nicole) Seehausen, Laura (Matthew) Lemmons, Chloe and Paige Brands, and Tyler (Noel) Brock; 4 great grandchildren, Jake and Addison Seehausen, Audrey and Nylah Brock. She is preceded in death by her husband, Orlin; a son, Douglas Brands; her parents; her brothers, Leonard, Harold, Kenneth, and Ronald Eriks; and a sister, Anne Elzinga.

She was a member of Zion Lutheran Church and worked at the Princess Café for 28 years. She enjoyed reading and was loved by many.

A visitation will be held Saturday, December 28, 2019 from 9am until the service at 11am at Zion Lutheran Church in Beecher with Pastor Ronald Rock officiating. Burial will be at Skyline Memorial Park in Monee.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Beecher Manor Activities Department or Zion Dorcas Society.

The family would like to thank the Beecher Manor staff for the love, kindness, and care shown to Martha and her family.

# Cemetery Details

## Skyline Memorial Park

24800 S Governors Hwy  
Monee, IL, IL 60449

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 28. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Zion Luthern Church  
540 Oak Park Ave  
Beecher, IL 60401

## Service

DEC 28. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

SB

“ Martha was a wonderful part of my young adult years when I grew up in Beecher and went to the Beecher Fitness Center. Martha and Tom's Christian values and attitude helped build me into the man I am today. God's peace & remembrance be with her and family during this celebration of life today.

God, thank you for the faith you have given Martha as she rests with you now. Please be with Tom and her full family as they celebrate her life today and continue to be with them. Amen.

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**Scott Becker** - December 28, 2019 at 09:31 AM

NH

“ Chuck, Tom and Nancy and families,  
Your mom was a delightful lady. She always made a special effort to welcome us when we came home to Zion to visit. You will all be in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Neil & Ruth(Bernhard) Herzog** - December 24, 2019 at 09:15 PM

DM

“ Martha was such a sweet lady. She came to Beecher Manor right about the same time that my mom was admitted. A couple of months after I learned her name, she smiled up at me and asked every SO politely if I could take her to her room. I remember she would sit outside of her room, by the nurse's station and visit with some of the other ladies, always smiling, always a kind word for everyone. I am sure she will be missed by many, many people.

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**Donna Morris** - December 24, 2019 at 03:10 PM

DN

“ *Sending our sympathies. Martha was such a sweet lady, and one of the best waitresses ever. May she Rest In Peace 🙏.*  
*Dianne and Jim Newberry (Nelson)*

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**dianne newberry** - December 24, 2019 at 01:48 PM

SB

“ *Martha was one of the sweetest ladies I've ever met. It was a pleasure having her for a next door neighbor for over 20 years. She made one heck of a good pie too. God bless her and her family.*

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**Susan Bigos** - December 24, 2019 at 01:44 PM