



Christian

April 8, 1921 - September 17, 2012

Christian Frank Veltjes

Vivian Fay Veltjes

Vivian Fay Veltjes, 91, died at 5:50 a.m. Tuesday, September 4, 2012 at St. Louis University Hospital.

Christian Frank Veltjes, 91, died at 3:03 p.m. on Monday, September 17, 2012 at Rosewood Care Center. They both died from injuries sustained in an automobile accident August 31, 2012 in Godfrey. Vivian was born April 8, 1921 in Alton the daughter of the late Hershel and Lillian (Means) Williams. Christian was born December 15, 1920 in Godfrey the son of John and Susanna (Vahle) Veltjes. Christian served with the Army Air Corps during WWII and was retired from the Department of Defense. They were married June 28, 1941 in Alton, and recently celebrated 71 years of marriage.

Surviving are one daughter; Carolyn Sue Parkison of Olathe, Kansas and one granddaughter; Jeanice Nelson of Patterson, NY, three great-grandchildren; Elisa, Mark and Dakota, Christian is survived by one sister; Margaret Urekar of Staunton. Christian is preceded in death by two brothers; Lewis and Frederic Veltjes and a sister; Catherine Hickerson. Vivian was preceded in death by a brother; Orville Williams. A visitation celebrating Chris and Vivian's life together will be from 3:00-7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 20, 2012 at GENT Funeral Home in Alton. No funeral services are scheduled. Memorials may be made to: March of Dimes, c/o Marks Marchers, 580 White Plains Road, Tarrytown, NY 10591.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Christian*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *Christian*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Dear Sue and Jeanice,*

We were shocked and saddened by the news - Chris and Vivian were next-door neighbors to Bob and Milly in Godfrey for many years until they moved to Indiana in 2007. Milly now lives with me in Montana, and was still calling to visit with Chris and Vivian every few weeks, as she had been since moving away...

So many wonderful memories include them - Milly remembers how often both shared stories about their wonderful great-grandchildren, and what a close and loving couple they were. Jean (and other Lange sisters) remember talks and laughs across the driveways, and how unhappy Chris was when we shoveled his driveway a few snowy times - HE could still do it, you know! Jean always loved the welcome mat: "An Old Grump and A Really Nice Lady Live Here." The truth was, they were both very nice people and the best neighbors we could have ever had.

Our thoughts are with you and your families - we loved Chris and Vivian and will always be grateful they were a part of our lives...

Jean Butler & Milly Lange - September 30, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Sue & Jeanice:
Your Mom & Dad were like second parents to Sharilyn and I, and we will surely miss all the visits and dinners out with them. We will keep you in our prayers.
Love, Don & Sherri Beem

Donald & Sharilyn Beem - September 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Sue, my thoughts, prayers and broken heart are with you and Jeanice. I am so proud and honored to have had them as my Aunt and Uncle.
I am always here for you.. Dianne

Dianne FitzGerald - September 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Dear Sue,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you at the time. We are praying for you and we all miss you with all our hearts! Love, Carolyn

Carolyn Huelson and Family - September 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ They were a lovely couple. I had the pleasure to help them with their final arrangements. They will be missed by many. May God be with all.
Kathryn

Kathryn Jarman - September 20, 2012 at 12:00 AM