



## Colleen Winders Green

December 5, 1930 - April 3, 2018

Dateline: Alton

Colleen Winders Green, 87, died Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at Christian Hospital North East in St. Louis, MO. She was born December 5, 1930 in Salem, IL the daughter of Daniel Orval and Mary Isabel (Cole) Winders. She was a communications specialist with Jefferson Smurfit for many years. Colleen was a volunteer for the Godfrey Khoury League, Heritage Days, Jobs daughter, Girl Scouts and the White Cross Auxiliary at Alton Memorial Hospital. She helped operate All Gods Children Shall Have Shoes and was voted Woman of Distinction in 2015. On October 16, 1951 in Salem, IL she married Ford J. Green and he survives. Also surviving are four children, Lisa Huber (Kirk) of Brighton, Ellen Sowders (John) of Godfrey, Julia Jeffreys (Chris) of Brighton and John Green (Terrah) of Godfrey, eleven grandchildren, Kate Riney (Dennis Ellis), Andrew Huber, Matt Witt (Karin), Chris Witt, Logan Sowders, Amanda McDonald, Nick Schaper, Ryan Jeffreys, Jeremy Jeffreys, Alexi Green and Michael Green, and fifteen great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by two brothers, Olin Winders and infant brother Harold and one infant sister, Hazel. Visitation will be from 10:00 a.m. until time of memorial service at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 7, 2018 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Tim Sandifer will officiate. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to All Gods Children Shall Have Shoes or to Godfrey Parks & Recreation "memorial benches" or "memorial trees". Additional information

and online guest book may be found at [www.gentfuneralhome.com](http://www.gentfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 7. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Gent Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
2409 State Street  
Alton, IL 62002  
(618) 466-5544  
<https://www.gentfuneralhome.com/>

## Memorial Service

APR 7. 1:00 PM (CT)

Gent Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
2409 State Street  
Alton, IL 62002  
(618) 466-5544  
<https://www.gentfuneralhome.com/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Colleen Winders Green*

---

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *Colleen Winders Green*

---

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Dear Ford and family, we are so sorry that we are unable to attend the services for Colleen. We are leaving today to go out of town for an event with our granddaughter. Colleen will be missed by all who were blessed to know her. Keep the good memories close to your heart. Our prayers and thoughts are with you all at this sorrowful time. May God bless you all and keep you strong.*

*Fred and Mary Ann Hentrich*

---

**Fred Hentrich** - April 07, 2018 at 07:53 AM

PP

“ Living across the street from the Greens was the most memorable and awesome part of the Hillen kids childhood. Ford and Colleen were always so welcoming, fun and adventurous with all of us. From the home videos, to the blackberry picking (and cobbler making), to the space in the back yard to grow our own "garden" and build our own "clubhouse", to the homemade ice cream, to the drive in movies...sleep overs, swimming pool parties and so many more things...and I remember every year how much they loved Halloween. Not only did they decorate the house, but they both dressed up too...we thought that was so cool! Lisa, Ellen, Julie, John and Mr. Green, we loved Colleen and will remember her with heart-felt fondness - what an awesome lady! So sorry for the loss of this beautiful soul.

-- Pam (Hillen) Presgrave

---

**Pam Presgrave** - April 06, 2018 at 09:03 PM

CJ

“ Colleen was a good friend and mentor. She loved animals and enjoyed petting our German Shepherd Dog Dori when she came to visit us. I will miss her greatly. Cathy Jackson

---

**Cathy Jackson** - April 05, 2018 at 09:48 AM