



## Dorothy E. Carney

September 8, 1924 - July 15, 2017

Dateline: Godfrey, IL

Dorothy E. Carney, 92, died Saturday, July 15, 2017 in Alton, Illinois. She was born September 8, 1924 in Cairo, Illinois the daughter of the late Melvin and Mary (Wilhoit) Nelson. On October 10, 1953 she married Thomas B. Carney in Cairo, Illinois. They moved to Salem, Illinois where she made a loving home for her family for 54 years. Surviving are two children, Scott Nelson Carney (Judy) of Salem, Wisconsin and Carol Carney Fletcher (Gregory) of Alton, Illinois; grandchildren Diane E. Pasternak (John), Lucas W. Fletcher and Emma C. Fletcher; and great-grandchildren Benjamin C. Lord and Katheryn C. Lord. Dorothy was preceded in death by her husband, brother Robert M. Nelson, and granddaughter Christina L. (Carney) Lord.

Dorothy's family knew her as a loving and caring supporter. Whether for a parent, husband, brother, child or grandchild, she continually showed her love through the many day-to-day interactions that made their lives better. Her friends and acquaintances will remember her as a kind person who was blessed with a keen and humorous wit. That wit helped brighten her days and the days of others and also provided something positive through the difficulties that life sometimes brings.

She enjoyed music and was a church choir member early in her life at Cairo

Baptist Church and later as a handbell choir member at Grace United Methodist Church where she was most recently a member. In addition to music, she also appreciated many aspects of the fine arts, especially sculptures and paintings. She had a particular interest in Oriental arts including carvings and other pieces representing the culture. She enjoyed reading a variety of books and few crossword puzzles went unfinished - a testament to her persistent nature.

Graveside services at Green Lawn Memorial Gardens, Villa Ridge, Illinois, will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Mighty Rivers Regional Worship Center, 10th and Poplar, Cairo, Illinois 62914 either to their Music Ministry or their general needs.

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothy E. Carney*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *Dorothy E. Carney*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss. I didn't know Dorothy or her family. But I'm just finding out I am her 1st cousin, two times removed. Her mother, Mary Wilhoit, was the sister of my Great Grandfather James Wilhoit from Carbondale, Illinois. Again, my condolences.*

David Wilhoit - May 15, 2018 at 03:44 AM



“ *Scott, Carol and families - we wanted to convey our sympathy, thinking of you at this time. Your Mother was a kind lady, we both remember her as we "grew up" riding bikes or whatever in you neighborhood. She always had a pleasant, dignified presence about her and always interesting to talk with. She was a blessing to her family, you have many cherished memories - take care. Kent & Martha Gruenkemeyer*

Martha Gruenkemeyer - July 24, 2017 at 10:57 AM

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“ *What a sweet lady Dorothy was -- gentle and always ready to welcome a visit with you. My greatest memory was her kindness in acknowledging my happiness when I took my first grandson for a visit with her. With loving memories, my friend, Trudy VanWiggeren*

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**Trudy VanWiggeren** - July 17, 2017 at 10:30 PM