



Dorothy B. Rowden

August 25, 1913 - April 13, 2012

Dorothy B. Rowden, 98, died at 9:16 p.m., Friday, April 13, 2012 at St. Anthony's Hospital in Alton surrounded by her loving family. She was born August 25, 1913 in Alton the daughter of the late George E. and Minnie (Klenk) Bryant. Dorothy worked as a clerk in downtown Alton at SS Kresge & Co and Hudson's Jewelry for 10 years before becoming Secretary for J. Frank Rowden & Son Excavating in Alton. She was a 50 year member of 12th Street Presbyterian Church, a former member of the Alton/Wood River Sportsmen Club; Eagles Club; and Brighton Civic League. On March 16, 1934 in Alton she married J. Frank Rowden and he preceded her in death on December 25, 1995. She is survived by one son; Ralph G. Rowden and his wife Sharon of Godfrey, three granddaughters; Ramona and Dr. Guillermo Rodriguez of Belleville, Deborah Rowden of Alton and Jennifer Schwarte and her husband Patrick of Alton, five great-grandchildren; Monica Rodriguez, Phillip and his wife Cami Rodriguez, Joshua Holden, Justin Holden and Grace Schwarte, one great-great granddaughter; Noelle Rodriguez. She was preceded in death by three brothers and three sisters. Visitation will be from 9:00 a.m. until time of funeral service at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 17, 2012 at GENT Funeral Home in Alton with Reverend David Olson to officiate. Burial will be at Valhalla. Memorials may be made to charity of one's choice.

Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothy B. Rowden*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *Dorothy B. Rowden*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *"Aunt Dot" was always fun to talk with when I made it out to Alton to see my grandparents. When we met at Grandpa Stanley's funeral, I was glad to see she was as sharp as ever. She will be missed.*

Melissa Kemnitz Guion - August 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *We will miss Aunt Dot's letter writing, long conversations of times past and how all the family was doing. Keli will miss playing the piano for her over the phone everytime she learned a new song. We all will miss how sharp she was about current events and always thought she would make it to 100 to get that birthday card from the president!What a grand life she lived. Our family will truly miss her outlook on life and her inspiring conversations.
She will be missed,
John, Kim, & Keli*

John, Kim & Keli - April 24, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Debbie and family, we are sorry for your time of grief and are thinking of you. Sincerely, the staff at Tangled Tinsel*

Michelle Price - April 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FH

“ *Very Sad and will miss our phone calls.
Love you
Fran*

Frances Hirsch - April 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM

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“ *What a great neighbor and friend. She always had time to talk. I haven't had time visit in many years but always think of her. She was an ANGEL.*

Terry L. Leonard - April 16, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CO

“ *Ralph & Sharon,*

My deepest sympathy to you. I remember many stories you shared with us about Mrs. Rowden. I know she was a very special and remarkable woman and will be greatly missed by the two of you. A woman of 98 years of age has had a wonderful life and knowing the two of you I know you were the best part of her life. Bless you both.

Cathy's,

Cathy Forbes (Dr. Emons office) - April 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM