



## Jean Marshall

August 31, 1928 - October 29, 2021

Dateline: Godfrey, IL

Jean Marshall, 93, died at 8:45 a.m. on Friday, October 29, 2021 at her residence in Godfrey. She was born August 31, 1928 in Wood River, IL the daughter of the late Daniel and Minnie (Larson) Higgins. While she hopped curb at The Comet and The Parkway Drive-In in Wood River, she met the love of her life, William Edward Marshall. They were married on December 13, 1950. He preceded her in death on December 11, 1959.

Jean left her job in the decorating department at Owens IL Glass to start their family. After Bill died, she babysat, cleaned homes, and took in ironing to make ends meet so that she could stay home and care for their two young daughters. When they started school, she worked as office manager for Kroger Stores, and finally retired from McDonnell Douglas in St Louis.

Jean was an active member of Calvary Baptist Church in Alton. Surviving are two daughters and sons in law; Melody Wood (Dennis) of Anchorage, Alaska and Tehri Marshall Gerke (Thomas) of Alton, four grandchildren; Chad Marshall of Alton, Josh Wood (Angelee) of Eagle River, Alaska, Jason Wood (Terri) of Anchorage, Alaska and Nicole Gilbert of Niceville, FL, eight great grandchildren; Jacob Wood, Cameron Gilbert, Ethan Wood, Aaron Wood, Haley Gilbert, Natalyn Wood, Schuyler Wood and Abbie Wood, two great

grandchildren; Jaxon and Kyle Wood, and one sister; Fern Smith of Wood River. Besides her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one brother; Daniel J. Higgins and four sisters; Marie Sepo, Lelia Varble, Betty Luly and Verna Higgins.

Visitation will be from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at Gent Funeral Home. Reverend Andre' Dobson will officiate. Burial will be at the Upper Alton Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Calvary Baptist Church or the Alzheimer's Association. Additional information and online guest book may be found at [www.gentfuneralhome.com](http://www.gentfuneralhome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Upper Alton Cemetery

Oakwood Avenue  
Alton, IL 62002

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 2. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral

NOV 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Jean Marshall*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



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January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Jean Marshall.*



October 31, 2021 at 10:39 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jean Marshall.*



October 31, 2021 at 09:34 PM

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“ Ohh Jean, do you remember the cake you made Mel and I from a newspaper recipe? I'm a great baker but when I got home to no avail I could not make. I had to call you many times and you graciously helped me. When I came to visit a couple summers ago you remembered me and my heart warmed. I just couldn't believe it. We had many talks while Melody worked and I came to visit. Thank you for being such a wonderful person to me. Rest In Peace 💕💕

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**cathy kracker** - October 31, 2021 at 09:29 PM



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October 31, 2021 at 08:01 PM