



## Julia E. Zahn

March 29, 1927 - July 31, 2017

Dateline: Alton

Julia E. Zahn, 90, died at 5:57 p.m. Monday, July 31, 2017 at Rosewood Care Center in Alton. Born March 29, 1927 in Alton, she was the daughter of William and Genevieve (Turley) Urban. Julia studied math and chemistry at Culver-Stockton College. She was a computer programmer for McDonnell Douglas and worked on the Mercury and Gemini Projects as well as the F-15 programs. She enjoyed flying and was an instrument rated private pilot. On August 22, 1947 she married Willard F. Zahn in Glen Ellyn, IL. He survives. Also surviving are two sons, Fred Zahn (Deborah) of Spring Grove, IL, and Chris Zahn of Edwardsville, five grandchildren, Kathryn Clemen, Christopher Zahn, Kelly Schmidt, Trevor Zahn, and Grace Zahn. Private graveside services will be held at the Forrest Grove Cemetery in Canton, MO. Gent Funeral Home in Alton is in charge of arrangements. Online guestbook and information may be found at [www.gentfuneralhome.com](http://www.gentfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Julia E. Zahn*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *Julia E. Zahn*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *I've known Julia from way back during her flying years and we shared our flying stories at the local airport. She was an accomplished pilot and many pilots of that era knew and had great respect for her as an aviator. My sincere condolences go out to her family and her husband.*

*Dale Rust, ex-corporate pilot/flight instructor, retired  
Bethalto*

**Dale Rust** - August 05, 2017 at 12:11 PM



“ *To the Zahn Family,  
Sorry for your loss, yet grateful for the blessing.  
Our thoughts are with you.  
Jim & Rosie Stark*

**Jim & Rosie Stark** - August 04, 2017 at 02:18 PM

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“ *Chris and family-*

*I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that your mother is in a much better place now. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*

*Tim Herrin*

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**Tim Herrin** - August 03, 2017 at 07:58 AM