



Marlene Sue Toppe

March 10, 1935 - August 2, 2024

Dateline: Alton, IL

Marlene Sue Toppe, 89, died at 12:20 a.m. on Friday, August 2, 2024 at Alton Memorial Rehab and Therapy. She was born March 10, 1935 in Urbana, IL the daughter of the late Alfred and Ruth (Wilson) Toppe. She graduated from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale and worked for 35 years as an art teacher in the Alton school district. She taught at the elementary, middle and high school levels during her tenure. Surviving are two nephews, Gary Boyd of Mt. Washinton, KY, Scott Boyd (Gayle) of Shipman, IL and her friend and caretaker, Joanne Lenhardt of Alton. Besides her parents she was preceded in death by one sister, Phyllis Boyd. A graveside service will be at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, August 9, 2024 at Valhalla Memorial Park in Godfrey. Donna Massey will officiate. Gent Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Memorials may be made to the 5A's Animal Shelter. Family and friends may leave online condolences at www.gentfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Graveside Services

AUG 9. 10:30 AM (CT)

Valhalla Memorial Park
2308 W. Delmar Ave.
Godfrey, IL 62035

Tribute Wall

MR

“ *Me. Toppe was my art teacher at East Junior High School years ago. I just recently gave away the clay head that I made in her class, but only after visiting her and taking pictures with her! She was one of my favorite teachers, and I was always glad to visit with her when we saw each other out and about. She was a gem!*

Martha Campbell Roberts - August 04, 2024 at 12:24 PM

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“ *Ms Toppe was our beloved neighbor and friend. She was scrappy and creative and always had a kind word. I don't think there was any task she was afraid to tackle. She was an amazing woman and we were lucky to have her in our lives.*
Cortney Frosch

Cortney Frosch - August 04, 2024 at 12:21 PM

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“ *Rest in Peace sweet Marlene.* ❤️



Jill Trudell - August 03, 2024 at 11:29 PM