



## Mary Ellen Denton

December 27, 1947 - July 27, 2024

Dateline: Alton, IL

Mary Ellen Denton, 76, died at 10:41 a.m. Saturday, July 27, 2024 surrounded by her family and friends at her residence. She was born December 27, 1947 in Shelbyville, IL the daughter of the late Luther and Viola (Wheat) Hill. She was a hairdresser for many years at JC Penny in Alton. On January 10, 1965 in Decatur, IL she married Darrell Francis Denton and he preceded her in death on January 28, 2005. Surviving are one daughter, Darris Denton of Alton and four nieces. Besides her husband she was preceded in death by two infant brothers, Gary Hill and Frederick Hill and three sisters, Patricia Baine, Ruth Rambo and infant sister, Linda Hill. A memorial visitation will be from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. on Friday, August 2, 2024 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. A graveside service will be at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, August 3, 2024 at Hudson Hill Cemetery in Shelbyville, IL. Memorials may be made to Evergreen Place Activity Fund. The family would like to thank the Evergreen Place staff and Unity Hospice. Gent Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Family and friends may send online condolences to [www.gentfuneralhome.com](http://www.gentfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

AUG 2. 4:00 AM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Graveside Service

AUG 3. 11:30 AM.

Hudson Hill Cemetery  
Shelbyville, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ Liz Rambo -Lowry planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Ellen Denton.

Liz Rambo -Lowry - July 31, 2024 at 10:31 PM



“ Liz Rambo -Lowry purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mary Ellen Denton.



Liz Rambo -Lowry - July 31, 2024 at 10:31 PM



“ Theresa, Bernie, Kaliegh, Lucas planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Ellen Denton.

Theresa, Bernie, Kaliegh, Lucas - July 30, 2024 at 06:07 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Ellen Denton.



July 30, 2024 at 06:07 PM

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“ *Karla and Bill Smith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Ellen Denton.*

**Karla and Bill Smith** - July 30, 2024 at 04:04 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Ellen Denton.*



July 30, 2024 at 04:04 PM

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“ *So sorry for your loss...for all the family and friends. She always had a smile .I worked with Mary at Jc Penny's. She will be greatly missed. Love and Prayers Brenda Higgins*

**Brenda Higgins** - July 30, 2024 at 02:30 PM