



## Mary Helen Hoekstra

June 5, 1951 - January 18, 2025

Dateline: Godfrey, IL

Mary Helen Hoekstra, 73, died at 4:40 p.m. on Saturday, January 18, 2025. She was born June 5, 1951 in Alton, the daughter of the late John O. and Rosalee (Luttrell) Boland. She was a member of SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Alton where she was a member of the Altar Society. Mary worked for many years for Olin Mills, Owens IL Glass and at the service desk for Dillard's Department Store. She enjoyed reading and loved shopping and antiques. On September 21, 1985 she married Edward Hoekstra, and he survives. Also surviving are two daughters, Michelle Hoekstra of Wood River and Amanda Hoekstra of Godfrey, two grandchildren, Kyle Hoekstra (Samantha) of Godfrey, Lillian Hoekstra of Godfrey and four great grandchildren, Braylynn Hoekstra, Makailee Hoekstra, Wyatt Butler and Kylie Hoekstra and one brother, Patrick "Mike" Boland (Sharon) of Godfrey, three nephews, Jeff Kamp (Debbie), Scott Kamp (Courtney) and Matt Kamp and three nieces, Anne Sturgeon (Kenny), Amy Hurley (Dave) and Patricia Lindemann (Darren). Besides her parents she was preceded in death by one brother, John Boland, sister-in-law, Jackie Boland, one sister and brother-in-law, Suzanne and Jim Kamp and one nephew, Mark Kamp and one niece, Jessica Kamp. Visitation will be from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. A Mass of Christian burial will be at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 23, 2025 at SS Peter & Paul. Burial will be at St. Patrick's Cemetery. Father Jeff Holtman will officiate. Memorials

may be made to SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church or 5A's Animal Shelter.  
Additional information and online guest book may be found at [www.gentfuneralhome.com](http://www.gentfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **22**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Gent Funeral Home  
2409 State Street  
Alton, IL 62002

## Mass of Christian Burial

JAN **23**. 10:00 AM (CT)

SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church  
Alton, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ My condolences to the family. This amazing woman was a friend of my Mom's and she took so many portraits of me growing up. She will be missed. Michelle reach out if you want. I'm here for you.



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**Ketra Howard** - January 21, 2025 at 11:07 AM



“ Judith M. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mary Helen Hoekstra.



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**Judith M.** - January 20, 2025 at 11:53 PM