



Mary Kennedy

October 19, 1924 - September 14, 2013

Alton

Mary Louise Kennedy, age 88, died peacefully at 12:10 p.m. on Saturday, September 14, 2013 surrounded by her family. Mary was born in Energy, IL on October 19, 1924 to the late William and Ada (Palmer) Riley. She worked as a nurse's aide before retiring and becoming a part of the Foster Grandparent Program at Alton Daycare and Learning. Mary sincerely loved all her "grandchildren" there for almost 11 years and looked forward to going to work until the day she became ill.

On April 15, 1946 she married Lester Kenneth Kennedy who preceded her in death in 1983. They were the parents of one daughter; Sandra Dean (Michael) of Alton and two sons; Kenneth Michael Kennedy (Pam Gaither) of Alton and Clifton Wayne, who passed away in 2005. Also surviving are five grandchildren and their spouses; Breanna Kennedy (Adam Tinker) of Alton, Laura Kennedy of Godfrey, Shannon Anderson (Ryan) of Godfrey, Brian Kennedy (Susan Mosby) of Jerseyville and Shane Dean (Bree) of Gulf Breeze, Florida, 11 great grandchildren; Ashley and Addison Dean, Michael and Ellen Anderson, Kyleigh Kennedy (Corey Endicott), Korby Kennedy (Shelby Cress), Samantha Kennedy, Josh Mosby, Hannah Forgy, Ethan Kennedy and Alex Tinker, one great great granddaughter; Briella Samuels and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a grandson in infancy; Michael Lee Kennedy, eight siblings; Arthur, Edward and Mick Riley, Eileen Brashear, Rose Jacobs, Pansy Reagan and Helen and Sylvia Riley.

A memorial visitation will be from 4:00 p.m. on Thursday until a memorial service at 6:00 p.m. at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. Burial will be private. The family requests memorials be made to Hope Rescue, PO Box 397, Godfrey, IL.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Kennedy*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *Mary Kennedy*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Mike & Pam,*

I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your Mother. She was a very special lady and loved by all. May you find peace in knowing she is in a better place.

Cathy Lawless - September 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sandy, I am so sorry to read of your mother passing. My deepest sympathy to you & your family.*

Bev Fields

Bev Fields Bryant - September 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *sorry for your loss mike and pam*

paul cheryl mcguire - September 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM