



Mary Elizabeth Skelton

July 4, 1926 - April 20, 2011

Dateline: Godfrey

Mary Elizabeth Skelton, 84, died at 7:14 p.m. Wednesday, April 20, 2011 at St. Anthony's Hospital. Born July 4, 1926 in Alton, she was the daughter of James and Helen (Hentz) O'Neil. She graduated from Alton High School in 1944 and worked for Bell Telephone Company in Alton. She was a member of the Godfrey First United Methodist Church. On March 26, 1955 in Carlinville, she married Howard L. Skelton. He survives. Also surviving are three sons and daughters-in-law, Michael and Linda Skelton of Bethalto, Patrick and Cathie Skelton of Indianapolis, and Thomas and Xiao Skelton of Alton, seven grandchildren, Joshua, Jessica, Jason, Jakob, Jorey, Brittany, and Michael. A memorial service will be at 6:00 p.m. Monday at the Godfrey First United Methodist Church. Reverend Don E. Long Jr. will officiate. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Godfrey First United Methodist Church. Gent Funeral Home in Alton is in charge of arrangements.

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Elizabeth Skelton*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *Mary Elizabeth Skelton*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Mary E was my mother's cousin and a dear girl - her verve and sparkle fit a woman born on the 4th of July! She, my mother, (Cleo Donahue Swanson), and my aunt (Eileen Donahue Berg) grew up together in alton, where I was also born. Mary E kept me apprised of family news every year at Christmas and shared her warmth with all. she will be in my heart always!*

Terri Rolan (nee Swanson) - November 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *From the the day when we began to write to each other,I know how lucky I am.You are so kind and cheerful.I will never forget each Sundayon which we met in the church,we talked and sang happily,praying for each other,which will be cherished in my heart.You had a happy and meaningful life ,although you did not expect to depart from us so suddenly .I love you!.May God take good care of you!*

Yuhong Skelton (Xiao) - April 30, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ Dear Howard,
My thoughts and prayers are with you. I have such fond memories, respect, and love of Mary. She brought a smile to my heart everytime I saw her over the years.

Having both of you in my and Ali's lives is a joy and blessing. We are thinking of you. God bless you with Peace during this time. Love in Christ, Jen & Adrienne Nimmo, Ali (Hawkins), Elley, and Zach Meyers

Jenifer Nimmo - April 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LB

“ Mary we will miss you. The world is better place for haveing you in it. we love you Lynne, David, and Bill.

Lynne Boyd - April 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Howard and family, we are so sorry about the loss of Mary. I have wonderful memories of her when we lived in Alton. Our prayers will be with you!

Ralph & Vivian Von Bergen - April 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ We attended Sts. Peter & Paul Grade School together and I think she went one year to Marquetter High with us also. I contacted her when her 50th anniversary was in the paper and she wrote back. We intended to get togethewr sometime, but it never happened. My sympathy to the family, D. Weaver

Dee Weaver - April 25, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ you will always live in our hearts and greatly missed.Love you Pat-Cat and the kids

Patrick-Cathie Skelton - April 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TX

“ It is never easy to say goodbye when there is no more hello's to follow. Your journey is complete and your reward is at hand. Your memory is always in our hearts and of the many hearts you have touched. As long as we have this you are not really gone but just relocated. Our next hello will be on the other side and on that side there will be no more goodbyes.

Tom, Jake, Jorey, Xiao - April 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

HO

“ I'll always love and I miss you and sam and smokey miss you too!

Howard - April 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MI

“ We love you very much, and miss you. You will always be a part of our lives, and we will carry your memory in our hearts forever.

We love you Mom.

Michael,Linda,Jason - April 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ grandma i miss u and want u here but i guss god was ready and stuff... i love you

Brittany - April 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *I miss you grandma, you will always be in my memory. I love you.*

Joshua McGinnis - April 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MI

“ *Miss u lots grandma. I love u*

Michael - April 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ *We love you and will miss you dearly. This is just a short goodbye until we see each other again.*

Love you always.

Jess & Paul Griffin - April 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ *I am sorry for your loss. May you find peace in the days to come and know that others are thinking of you in your times of sorrow.*

Keri Mongold - April 23, 2011 at 12:00 AM