



Joyce L. Gorringer

August 10, 1928 - April 23, 2017

Joyce Lee Gorringer, 88, of Bourbonnais, formerly of Naperville, passed away on April 23rd at home after a lengthy illness. A graduate of Northwestern University, Mrs. Gorringer was born on August 10, 1928 in East Chicago, Indiana to Leland B. and Helena (Dormagen) Luellen.

While Joyce most valued her role as wife and mother of four children, she had a career that moved between business and public service. She administered an Aberdeen Angus farm in Indiana and for many years, Joyce participated in its daily management. The farm specialized in breeding cattle of the highest quality which won many awards at livestock expositions. Concurrently she taught music, grades K through 12 and received an advanced degree from Valparaiso University.

Mrs. Gorringer was also active in public service, acting for many years as head of the women's organization in the LDS church, responsible for the secular and spiritual welfare of the women of the congregation, as well as dealing with grief, family problems, etc., as a lay counselor. She has served as both a church and community choir director, exercising her talent for her first love, music. She was accomplished in voice, and with the violin and piano.

In a more political arena, Joyce served at the local, state, and federal levels. She was active on many campaigns. She herself did not run for office, but was

twice appointed by President Reagan to the National Advisory Council on Adult Education. She was instrumental in the STOP ERA movement and a member of Eagle Forum in Illinois, working with Phyllis Schlafly and many others.

Mrs. Gorringer is survived by her sister, Jill, Derby, and children from her first marriage to John Homer: Gail of Hebron, and Amy of Lombard. She is also survived by two children from her marriage to Thomas Alyea, Laura, from Sandy, and Holly, Bourbonnais. Joyce has four grandchildren, Cody, Ryan, Colin, and Brandon, and five great-grandchildren: Abbey, Boston, Davis, Benson, and Mia. Joyce is preceded in death by her husband, Ronald E. Gorringer and her brothers, William and Larry Luellen.

The viewing will be held on Friday, April 28, from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00. The funeral will follow at 11:30. Both will occur at the LDS Bourbonnais Ward building, 1091 Stratford Drive East, Bourbonnais, Illinois 60914-1509.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 28. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
Briarcliff Lane
Bourbonnais, IL

Funeral Service

APR 28. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Briarcliff Lane
Bourbonnais, IL

Tribute Wall

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“ Joyce and Ron were very good to me and my family. We miss them dearly.

General's human Sam

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“ Holly I,m sorry for the loss of your mother she was very nice to me and my family when Dale died as were you if you need to talk have Brandon get a hold of Erick to get my phone number. Again my whole family share in your grief as you did in ours. Linda Bookwalter

Linda Bookwalter - April 26, 2017 at 05:55 PM