



Marilyn J. Worth

September 17, 2023

Marilyn J. Worth, of Kankakee, beloved mother and grandmother, passed away peacefully at home with her family by her side on Sunday, September 17, 2023. Marilyn was 96 years of age.

She was born December 30, 1926 in Chicago, the daughter of Emile & Myrtle Lavoie Savoie.

Marilyn married Phillip W. Worth on October 15, 1950 at St. Teresa Catholic Church in Kankakee. Phillip and Marilyn were married for over fifty years and traveled extensively around the world.

Marilyn was a homemaker and former employee of A.O. Smith Corporation. She was also affiliated with the family business, The Kankakee Nursery Company.

Marilyn was a member of the Crusaders, The Kankakee Country Club, The Friday Night Ladies Group, Tipsters and WESU. She was an avid bridge player and enjoyed any kind of games.. She was a volunteer at the Salvation Army. Most of all, Marilyn enjoyed spending time with her family.

She was a lifelong parishioner of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kankakee.

She is survived by two daughters, Linda (Steve) Curren of St. Anne and JoAnn Worth Vanicek of Portsmouth, RI; six grandchildren, Amy Curren Baker (Aaron), Steven Curren Jr. (Corrine), Keith Curren (Leanne), Michael Curren (Kimberly), Emily Vanicek Hathaway (Blake), and Tyler Vanicek; ten great-grandchildren, Hailey, Brayden, Kirstin, Hannah, Van, William, Liam, Monroe, Nora, and Addison; and two sisters-in-law, Mona Breunig of Sunset Hills, MO

and Jenni Worth of St. Anne.

In addition to her husband, Marilyn is preceded in death by her parents; and one son, William Phillip Worth.

Visitation will be held 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on Friday, September 22, 2023 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais.

Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 23, 2023 at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kankakee.

Interment will follow at Mound Grove Gardens in Kankakee.

Memorials may be made to Uplifted Care (formerly known as Hospice of Kankakee Valley), the Kankakee YMCA, or St. Patrick Catholic Church in Kankakee.

Cemetery Details

Mound Grove Gardens Cemetery

1000 N. Greenwood
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 933-6726

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **22**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.
295 Main St., NW
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Mass

SEP **23**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church
428 S. Indiana
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-6716

Tribute Wall

LP

“ Uncle Emile (as I called him) would have been the first to laugh at my calling him Grandma Ida's sister in sharing my memory. He was such a happy, fun person.

Lois Jean Ponton Phelps - September 20, 2023 at 01:46 PM

LP

“ I, too, have wonderful memories of visiting with Marilyn and her parents, Emile and Myrtle. Emile was my Grandmother Ida Savoie Ponton's sister. There were 12 years difference between us so Marilyn treated me like a little sister when we were together. Her family also was the first to call me Carrot Top. We remained in touch for many years. She always reminded me of that name through our adult years.

Lois Jean Ponton Phelps - September 20, 2023 at 01:32 PM

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“ The Brown family has fond memories of Marilyn who played bridge with our mother Mary “Molly” Brown. A gracious and loving woman has now joined “Flip” and so many friends in heaven. Our deepest condolences. Suzy Brown Ruder and sisters.

Suzy Ruder - September 20, 2023 at 09:28 AM

PK

“ Marilyn was such a big part of my childhood. We had so many good times on the pontoon, and I have wonderful memories of the bridge club ladies laughing and laughing while they played and we listened from upstairs. Much love to Linda and JoAnne and all her family.

Patricia Kranz - September 19, 2023 at 08:39 PM

JG

“ *Joseph Giacchino lit a candle in memory of Marilyn J. Worth*



Joseph Giacchino - September 19, 2023 at 04:20 PM