



Marjorie "Marge" Lucille Jefferson

January 16, 1923 - December 4, 2017

Marjorie "Marge" Lucille Jefferson (Dortch), age 94, of Kankakee passed away Monday, December 4, 2017 at Our Lady of Victory Nursing Home in Bourbonnais. She was born January 16, 1923 in Kankakee, the daughter of Jasper and Lucille (Nusbaum) Dortch. She married Donald Dell "Jeff" Jefferson on December 16, 1941 at St. John's Evangelical Church, Kankakee. He preceded her in death on December 15, 1999.

Marge and Jeff both worked for the Roper Corporation, retiring in 1985 on the same day, after a combined 68 years of service. She enjoyed travelling, competitive Fiestaware collecting, puzzles and games of all sorts, and crocheting. She did all the cooking and baking for family gatherings, and made especially great desserts: lemon meringue pie, cookies, and hand-made chocolates. She was a volunteer at Riverside Hospital for many years until she was physically unable to continue. She was a tireless caregiver for her daughter Judy.

Surviving are two grandsons, Michael Skeldon and his wife Lucy of Wakefield, Massachusetts and Richard Skeldon of Kankakee; three great-grandchildren, Kathryn Skeldon, Christopher Skeldon, and Alexander Skeldon; one nephew, Kenneth Genz of Kankakee; one grand-nephew, Jeffry Tatro of Georgia, and one son-in-law, Oran Skeldon and his wife Terri of Bourbonnais. In addition to

her husband Jeff, she is preceded in death by her parents; her beloved daughter, Judith Skeldon; and two adult sisters, Fern Genz and Dorothy Tatro.

Marge was a loyal member of St. John United Church of Christ in Kankakee, serving on women's group committees, teaching Sunday school, as well as participating in the seniors' bible study groups. The family extends their deep thanks to Pastor Barb Lohrbach for her extreme kindness shown to Marge and Judy over the years.

As per her wishes, cremation rites have been accorded. Private inurnment will be held at Mound Grove Gardens at a later date.

Memorials may be made to St. John United Church of Christ.

Arrangements by Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais.

Cemetery Details

Mound Grove Gardens Cemetery

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

Tribute Wall

BC

“ I go to know Marge at Heritage, she was a very special lady. Had a lot good laughs with her.

Barbara Gessner Casey

Barbara Gessner Casey - December 12, 2017 at 08:08 PM

TM

“ Remembering Marge fondly and extending sympathy to her family Mary and Tom Maass

Tom and Mary Maass - December 10, 2017 at 06:55 PM

DH

“ A beautiful lady in many ways is gone who was a great friend of my mother, they are with each other again. She blessed my life with her concern for my mother with her frequent visits. She was always so strong. My prayers and good thoughts of Marge go out to Oren and Terri. God bless and rest in peace, Love Dave

David Hansing - December 09, 2017 at 10:37 AM

JS

“ Janice Shenk lit a candle in memory of Marjorie "Marge" Lucille Jefferson



Janice Shenk - December 08, 2017 at 02:14 PM

VD

“ Oran and family my deepest sympathy. She was a great lady. Love, thoughts and prayers are with all of you.



Virginia R Dominick - December 08, 2017 at 08:21 AM

AT

“ Dear Marge is now at peace with all of her family, may she rest in peace from here on. Alice Tatro her nephews wife.



Alice J Tatro - December 07, 2017 at 11:17 AM

CD

“ To the Family of Marge Jefferson:
My sympathy goes out to the family and friends of Marge. Marge was at Presence Heritage Village and Lodge for quite a number of years. I remember visiting Marge at the Lodge and also at the Shelter and Skilled area of our nursing home. Marge had a lot of energy and use to like to sit and visit in our Café. May the family and friends hold onto all the fond and loving memories of Marge.

Blessings of remembrances, Chaplain Carole and the Staff of Heritage Village

Chaplain Carole R. DiZeo - December 07, 2017 at 09:41 AM

SH

“ *I lite a candle in memory of Marjorie "Marge"
Lucille Jefferson. Sr. Martha Harrington,sscm*



Sr. Martha Harrington,sscm - December 06, 2017 at 09:40 PM