



Mary Rita Jourdan

October 15, 1933 - August 27, 2023

We share the peaceful passing of Mary Rita Jourdan. Mary Rita was born October 15, 1933 at Welborn Hospital to Robert and Laura (McCurdy) Taylor. Mary Rita left this world on August 27, 2023 in her room at Good Samaritan/Envive with hospice care and surrounded by her family.

She lived her entire life on the Westside of Evansville. She just celebrated her 70th wedding anniversary on April 15, 2023 to Donald Edward Jourdan. They were married at St. Paul's UCC and were lifelong members of the congregation until its closing. She and Don built their home in 1956 within walking distance to her parent's home. Mary Rita graduated from F.J. Reitz High School in 1951 where she was a majorette in the marching band and studied office administration. Her full and part-time work experiences included: Bucyrus Erie, Old National Bank, USI, Junior League of Evansville, ending with retirement from Mead Johnson/Bristol Meyers.

Besides her love of all things Reitz High School and U of E basketball, music and active volunteering were her passions. She sang for 35 years in the Evansville Philharmonic Chorus and was also a long-time member of the St. Paul's choir and Trinity UMC's choir. Her administrative skills enabled her to be a valued volunteer. She was a Literacy Volunteers of America tutor, a "pink lady" with the women's auxiliaries at Welborn and St. Mary's hospitals. She served many years as a member of the Evansville Philharmonic Guild.

Mary Rita is survived by her loving husband, Don; two daughters, Donna (Curt) Voges and Carolyn Finke; and her four grandchildren, Alex and Caroline Finke and Grace and Rob (Kelli) Voges. Additionally, she was loved by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Charles Zeller and her cousins from the Taylor and McCurdy families.

The family would like to thank the dedicated care givers, doctors, nurses and the AseraCare Hospice team who have been a part of Mary Rita's care and comfort, especially Stephanie Elms Moore.

Donations in Mary Rita's memory can be made to the Evansville Philharmonic Guild P.O. Box 84, Evansville, Indiana 47701-0084.

A celebration of life service will be held at a later date. Her interment will be in the Zachary Taylor National Cemetery in Louisville, Kentucky.

Cemetery Details

Zachary Taylor National Cemetery

Louisville, KY

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Mary Rita was a Classy, Talented lady.. I had the honor of serving with her as a pink lady for Deaconess hospital in the lighter side library (when it existed). We had a great time talking while she knit some nice articles.*

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