



Jean M. Widman

March 19, 1929 - May 10, 2021

Jean M. Widman, age 92 of Highland, IL, died Monday, May 10, 2021, at Saint Joseph's Hospital in Highland, IL.

She was born on Tuesday, March 19, 1929, in Tamalco, IL, the daughter of Floyd and Maud (nee Kuhn) Rench.

On Friday, February 10, 1950, she married Dale D. Widman in Arkansas, who passed away on Thursday, December 12, 1996.

She was a member of Grantfork United Church of Christ, Grantfork, IL.

She was born at Tamalco, IL, and grew up in Bond County on the family dairy farm. She graduated from Pocahontas High School in 1947. She met her husband at a dance in Grantfork at Diamond Mineral Springs. They lived in Highland and he started Widman Construction in the late 1960's. Jean worked at the Highland Shoe factory, was a telephone operator, Basler Electric and Jakel Manufacturing. They built their family home in the Grantfork timber south of town. Jean was the contractor's wife for the company. She moved after her husband's death into town in 1997. She liked to paint pictures, sewing, canoe trips on the Jack's Fork river, wintering in Ft Meyers, FL, traveling to Switzerland, Germany (three times), England and cruises.

Survivors include:

Daughter - Brenda S. (Significant Other-Tom Montgomery) Hoiland, Fruitland, WA

Daughter - Becky J. Widman, Highland, IL

Daughter In-Law - Tina S. Widman, Benld, IL

Grandchild - Seth A. (Jen) Hoiland, Hunters, WA

Grandchild - Sarah L. Hoiland, Spokane, WA

Step Grandchild - Stephen T. Warner, Jr., Benld, IL

Step Grandchild - Kristina M. (Keith) Toles, Shelbyville, KY

Great Grandchild - Tayven J. Hoiland, Hunters, WA

Step Great Grandchildren - Seven

Nieces and Nephews - Many.

She was preceded in death by:

Father - Floyd Rench

Mother - Maud nee Kuhn Rench

Husband - Dale D. Widman - Died 12/12/1996

Son - Tim D. Widman - Died 12/18/2012

Sister - Helen Greimann - Died 2016

Sister - Lola Rench - Died at age 12

Sister - Agnes Pringle - Died 1994

Sister - Elsie Seibert - Died 2002

Brother - Carroll Rench - 1988.

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Monday, May 17, 2021, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM on Tuesday, May 18, 2021, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral Service will be at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, May 18, 2021, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL, with Rev. Tim A. Darmour-Paul, Pastor, officiating.

Interment will be at Grantfork United Church of Christ Cemetery in Grantfork, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Grantfork United Church of Christ.

Tribute Wall



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Jean M. Widman.*



May 16, 2021 at 02:15 PM



“ *Larry, Toni and family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jean M. Widman.*



Larry, Toni and family - May 15, 2021 at 11:20 AM



“ *Sorry for your loss. She liked to dance. We always enjoyed visiting at line dances.*

diann and gary noll - May 14, 2021 at 10:13 AM



“ *Mike and Dinah Bielong purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Jean M. Widman.*



Mike and Dinah Bielong - May 13, 2021 at 08:04 PM

BB

“ *Brenda and Becky: so sorry for your loss. I haven't seen you or your mom in years but have many memories of times spent together.*

Beverly Nungesser Boeschen

beverly boeschen - May 13, 2021 at 07:39 PM

RM

“ *Jean was a 1st cousin to my mother, Cornelia Kuhn Bimes Erdel; also the last of the grandchildren of Cornelia and J. F. Kuhn of Pleasant Mound, Illinois. Picture taken circa 1928. Rest In Peace, Jean.*

Ron Bimes, St. Louis



Ron Bimes, St. Louis, Mo. - May 13, 2021 at 10:46 AM

BS

Sincere sympathy to her family 🙏

Bob & Beckie Schrupf - May 14, 2021 at 08:08 AM

LS

“ So many precious memories with Jean, from growing up and hanging out at their house on the Grantfork curves, and endless laughs and fun at the bowling alley, Grantfork homecomings ...etc. Never a dull moment with Jean in the room; she'll never be forgotten. I'm sure her and Lorna will be finding a slot machine together.

Our sympathies to you all.
Love, Earl and Lori Stocker

Lori Stocker - May 12, 2021 at 04:49 PM

SD

“ I have a Dr. appointment the same day as your visitation, but I wanted to offer you daughters and others my condolences on the death of your mother.

Sue (Feurer) Kustermann Drewer.

Sue Ellen Drewer - May 12, 2021 at 11:02 AM

DA

“ Many, many memories growing up with Jean and Dale in Grantfork and cousins Brenda, Tim, and Becky, David

David - May 12, 2021 at 08:44 AM

CB

“ Cathy and Jim Anderson; Mike and Dinah Bielong purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jean M. Widman.



Cathy and Jim Anderson; Mike and Dinah Bielong - May 12, 2021 at 07:11 AM

DS

“ Jean was a special friend, always a smile for us. We were neighbors in Florida and friends in Highland. Dale built one of our houses in Highland. We are thinking of the family at this sad time. Prayers to all of you, Jean was one special woman 🌸🌸

Dick and Connie Sanvi - May 11, 2021 at 10:15 PM