



Claretta Jean Leuchtenberg

June 22, 1936 - February 26, 2021

Princeton - Claretta Leuchtenberg, 84, of Princeton, passed away peacefully with family at her side on Friday, February 26th, 2021 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria.

Claretta was born on June 22, 1936 near Buda, Illinois to parents Gilbert and Frances (Schultz) Nielsen, who preceded her in death as well as her sister Joan Rogers.

She is survived by her brother, Roger (Charlotte) Nielsen of Sheffield, IL; son, Kim (Stephanie) Leuchtenberg of Janesville, WI; daughter, Melody (John) Bainter of Easley, SC; son, Mike (Jona) Leuchtenberg of Rogers, AR; daughter, Kelli Willstead of Oregon, IL; daughter, Tonya (Andrew) Chase of Princeton, IL; five grandchildren, Holly (Jon) Fecht of Carthage, IL; Rodney Willstead of Sheffield, IL; Kimberly Willstead of Oregon, IL; Melissa Willstead of Walnut, IL; Seth Leuchtenberg of Janesville, WI; and seven great grandchildren; Malaki Willstead, Abigail and Zandra Lindus, Sirius and Serenity Cornwall all of Walnut, IL; and Natalie and Noah Fecht of Carthage, IL.

Claretta attended State Road School, Buda Grade School, and Buda High School, Class of 1955. She was a Telephone Operator for General Telephone Company, a Waitress at many local restaurants, and retired from Perry

Memorial Hospital in Princeton, IL.

She was a loving mother, lived her life for her children, and was active as a Bluebird Leader, Girl Scout Leader, and Den Mother for the Cub Scouts. She especially loved spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was an avid sports fan always cheering on her Chicago Cubs, Chicago Bears, Chicago Bulls, and her favorite NASCAR drivers. She loved to play bingo, dominos, and watch Wheel of Fortune with her friend.

Claretta impacted the lives of so many, especially her family, and was “mom” to many more than just her children. She will always be remembered for her kind heart and loving spirit.

A visitation will be held on Thursday March 4th at Norberg Memorial Home in Princeton, IL. 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., with a short service to follow.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Ronald McDonald House of Central Illinois.

Online memorials and condolences may be left at www.norbergfh.com

Arrangements by Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. & Monuments

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 4. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Norberg Memorial Home, Inc.
701 E. Thompson Street
Princeton, IL 61356

Funeral Service

MAR 4. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Diane Schaffer-vandenBorre lit a candle in memory of Claretta Jean Leuchtenberg* ”



Diane Schaffer-vandenBorre - March 02, 2021 at 04:25 PM