



Dorothy Jean Grafft

February 26, 1928 - December 30, 2023

Princeton - Dorothy Jean (Slater) Grafft, 95, of Princeton passed away on Saturday, December 30, 2023 at OSF St. Claire.

Dorothy was born in the town of Cedar Rapids, Iowa to the late George Perry and Dora Olive (Wright) Slater on February 26, 1928. She was a graduate of Olin Consolidated School and graduated Class of 1945. She also attended Cornell College in Mount Vernon, Iowa for one year.

She married Chester Marion Grafft on February 2, 1947. What she remembers most about her wedding day was how bitter cold the weather was that day, yet her heart was warm.

Dorothy worked at Montgomery Wards for a few years before starting her career at Citizens First National Bank as an internal investment administrator, a job she stayed at until she retired.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, First United Methodist Women's Club, Circle of Velda Rose in Mesa, AZ. She enjoyed seeing America in their motorhome, playing cards, especially bridge, wherever she was. She also enjoyed spending time with her family and friends.

Surviving Dorothy are her two children, son, Duane Grafft and daughter Diane Grafft; two grandsons Mike (Beth) Grafft and Matt Grafft; two great grandsons, Christian and Gavin.

Preceded in death by her parents, George and Dora Slater, mother and father-in-law, Marion and Emma Grafft, her husband Chester Grafft, one brother Jay Slater and sister-in-law Rosemary Slater, brother-in-law Richard Grafft, sister-in-law Ruth Grafft and one grandson Eric Grafft.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be directed to the First United Methodist Church of Princeton, IL.

Funeral Services will be held at First United Methodist Church of Princeton, IL on Saturday, January 6, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. officiated by Pastor Ryan Sutton. Organist Charlie GeBeck.

A visitation will be held the following day, Sunday, January 7, 2024 in Olin, IA at Dawson Funeral Home 413 Walnut Street, Olin, IA from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Graveside services to follow January 7, 2024 at the Olin Iowa Cemetery in Olin, Iowa at 2:00 p.m. Officiated by Pastor Jennifer Zoller. Following graveside services a lite reception with finger food and refreshments will be held at the Olin Methodist Church.

Online condolences may be directed to www.norbergfh.com

Arrangements by Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. & Monuments

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JAN 6. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
316 S Church Street
Princeton, IL 61356

Visitation

JAN 7. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Dawsons Funeral Services LLC
413 Walnut Street
Olin, IA 52320

Graveside Service

JAN 7. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Olin Cemetery
501 Walnut Street
Olin, IA 52320

Tribute Wall

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“ Deepest condolences to all the family....your Mom was a good and faithful friend to my parents even calling me after my mom's passing just to say "hello". Her bubbly caring will be greatly missed...

Connie (Gleason) Espel

Connie Espel - January 06, 2024 at 12:32 PM

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“ Dear Diane and Duane, Paul and I were so sad to hear of your Mom's passing. It was always a pleasure visiting with her. May God hold you both close at this difficult time. Sincerely, Pat Eddy

Patricia Eddy - January 05, 2024 at 12:50 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Dorothy Jean Grafft.



January 04, 2024 at 03:37 PM

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“ Dorothy will always be remembered here at the Bureau County Senior Center. She was such a beautiful, caring lady. She always had a smile on her face, and she and I would always discuss her beautiful jewelry. She would call me to just say Hi. Our deepest sympathy to all of you.

Denise Ihrig, Director

Denise Ihrig - January 04, 2024 at 01:35 PM