



Jewel Marie Sutherland

August 5, 1930 - June 25, 2023

Princeton - Jewel Marie (Ainley) Sutherland passed away peacefully on Sunday, June 25, 2023 at Aperia Care in Princeton, IL., surrounded by her loving family.

Jewel was born August 5, 1930 in Kewanee, IL to the late Albert and Hazel Eleanor Dorothy (Greenway) Ainley. She was the fourth of eight children. She finished out her sophomore year in Kewanee. She was a hard worker her whole life and very protective of her family.

She spent her time helping her parents by making meals for her family while they worked and taking care of her younger siblings. She worked at the Dime Store in Kewanee where her grandmother would come in and embarrass her with her "sailor mouth". She had some funny stories to share about her. She also worked at the bowling alley as a pin setter before automatic pin setters were invented.

Jewel met Omar Smith at the age of 17 and fell in love and they married. She gained two stepdaughters Janet and Jean and they lived with Omar's parents, before settling in the Wyanet area where they farmed together. She was the typical farmers wife from milking to driving the tractor, they were a team. Together they had six children; Bonnie, Anita, Gail, Pam, Lisa and Tom. They also raised two of Omar's grandsons, Chuck and Steve Zebell while their

father was in the service. They joined our family at the age of two and three. While in high school their father returning home from the service, the boys, Chuck and Steve moved in with their father. To this day they still called Jewel Mom.

She cared for her father-in-law Alvin Smith and her father, Albert Ainley as they got older and could no longer care for themselves. Jewel babysat the neighborhood children to earn extra money for the family. She worked at Prairie View as a very caring CNA until she was hired at Harper Wyman, eventually retiring from Morris Foundation at the age of 70. Jewel and Omar were married for over twenty-five years before ending in divorce. She remarried, the love of her life James Sutherland, gaining four stepsons; Wayne, Kenny, Gregg and Mike. She was happy for many years until James passed.

Jewel enjoyed sewing and crocheting. She liked reading and collected Indian made collectibles. She was an Elvis fan her entire life and was a big fan of Jonathan Lyons, the Elvis Impersonator. She enjoyed puzzles and spending time with loved ones. Jewel was the most loving, caring mother, grandmother, great grandmother and great-great grandmother. She was the bravest woman we ever knew. Heaven has gained a wonderful angel, who will be deeply missed by those on earth.

Surviving by her six children, Bonnie Shofner (Ron Barth) of Wyanet, IL., Anita Wilson of Henry, IL., Gail (Armondo) Heredia of Chillicothe, IL., Pam Sutherland of Princeton, IL., Lisa Nelsen of Buda, IL., Thomas (Jill) Smith of Wyanet, IL.; 17 grandchildren; 29 great grandchildren; two great-great grandchildren; several step children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

Preceded in death by her parents, Albert and Hazel Ainley, husband James Sutherland, her siblings, Al Ainley, John Ainley, Dick Ainley, Jerry Ainley,

Beverly Marbut, Karleen Ferguson and Faith Schwingen, and grandson,
Joseph Wilson

A visitation will be held on Wednesday, June 27, 2023 at Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. and Monuments from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Services will be held on Thursday, June 28, 2023 at Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. and Monuments at 10:30 a.m. officiated by Pastor Ryan Sutton. Graveside services to follow at Forest Hill Cemetery in Wyanet, IL.

Online condolences may be directed to the family at www.norbergfh.com

Arrangements by Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. & Monuments

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 28. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

JUN 29. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

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

Graveside Service

JUN 29. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Forrest Hill Cemetery - Wyanet, IL
e Main St
Wyanet, IL 61379

Tribute Wall

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“ My mom (Phyllis Ainley) and I use to come to Wyanet to take Jewel to lunch. I loved seeing her at the Ainley reunions. Listening to all the shenanigans her and mom would get into all those years ago. My heart goes out to her family with my prayers. She took a good piece of my heart with her. So sorry for your loss.

Janet Pilarski - July 01, 2023 at 05:04 PM

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“ Praying for the family. Many hugs!!!

Bethen - June 28, 2023 at 01:34 AM

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What a super mom and great friend she will be missed she rest in heaven and watch over all her loved ones PRAYERS OUT TOO WHOLE FAMILY

Don walker - June 28, 2023 at 05:17 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jewel Marie Sutherland.



June 27, 2023 at 02:58 PM

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“ *What can I say? I loved Aunt Jewel for so many reasons, she was so important to so many people and loved by everyone who knew her. My first memory is when I was about four years old and I was taking too much time to climb out of the car. Aunt Jewel said "C'mon Granny" and my nickname was born... I will miss her always. Love Susie aka Granny.*

Susan Marbut Potash - June 27, 2023 at 11:34 AM