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PRINCETON — Joanne Elaine Meroney, 72, of Princeton passed away Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2016, surrounded by her family after a long-term illness.

Born March 21, 1943, in Gary, Ind., to John and Adele (Richie) Vargo, she married James Marion Meroney Oct. 8, 1960, in Crown Point, Ind. He survives.

She was a retired librarian. She had worked at the Princeton Public Library and Aurora Public Library. She had also been a book mobile driver and an Aurora Public School bus driver.

She was a member of the Red Hat Society. She received first place at the Bureau County Fair for strawberry preserves. She had been a precinct judge.

She was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and friend.

She was a great advisor, an avid reader and a genuinely amazing person. She was always willing to help family and she held a special place in her heart for her nephew, Mitchell Tiech, who she thought of as her son. We love her.

Surviving are two daughters, Shawne Vargo and Kelly Meroney; one sister, Janet Blum; four grandchildren, Mitchell Hamrick, Elizabeth (Donald Evans) Hamrick, Maxamillien Hamrick and Molli Hewitt; one cousin, George Migas; and nieces and nephews, Timothy Blum, Debra Blum, Shari Blum and Mitchell Tiech.

She was preceded in death by one son, John Meroney; and a sister, Alexandra Vargo.

Services will be at 12 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, at the Norberg Memorial Home in Princeton with Father Jeffrey Stirniman officiating. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to noon at the funeral home.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

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

Cemetery Details

Sterling Wilbert Crematory

Sterling, IL