



Marilyn J Fordham

August 12, 1942 - August 21, 2020

Fordham – Marilyn J. Fordham, 78, of Princeton, IL passed away at her home, surrounded by loved ones on Friday, August 21, 2020.

Marilyn was born on August 12, 1942 to the late Carl and Pearl (Wade) May in Princeton, IL. She was a graduate of Princeton High School, Class of 1960. She married the late William C. Fordham on September 8, 1962. She spent her time as a mother, farmer's wife and volunteer. She was a Perry Memorial Gold Coat and a member of the Evangelical Covenant Church, where she had served in the choir for over 40 years. She used to teach vacation bible school and always volunteered wherever they were needed in her church community.

She loved to read, it was something she did her entire life. She loved to play games with her children and grandchildren, whether it be card games or board games, anything to keep her mind active and spend time with her loved ones. She enjoyed all puzzles, from jigsaw to 3-D. Watching games shows and antique shopping. Her greatest joys were always spending time with her kids, grandkids, and great grandkids.

Marilyn is survived by three daughters, Barbara (Jeff) Beauchem of Stillman Valley, IL, Brenda Smith of Princeton, IL and Betty Fisher-Lundeen of Princeton, IL; eight grandchildren and four great grandchildren with two on the way, and her four foster children, Pat(Larry) Downs Bright of Palm Springs, Doris(Randy) Cruz of Elizabethtown, KY, Mary(Chris) Holman of Round Rock, TX, and Sue(Joe) Cooksey of Bay, AR.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Carl and Pearl May, within her last year she lost her husband of 56 years, William C. Fordham, only son, Ronald Fordham and only sibling, Janet Turner.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Evangelical Covenant Church's Choir or Broadcast Ministries.

A visitation for Marilyn will be held on Monday, August 24, 2020 at Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. & Monuments from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Services will be at Norberg Memorial Home Inc. & Monuments at 11:00 a.m. officiated by Reverend Derek C. Boggs and Reverend Dr. John Weborg. A graveside service to follow at Oakland Cemetery in Princeton, IL.

Per the family's wishes, this service will be livestreamed in a private group on Facebook. Please see the following link to join the group prior to services.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Norbergmemorialhomememorialservicegroup/>

Online condolences and memorials may be directed to www.norbergfh.com

Arrangements by Norberg Memorial Home Inc. & Monuments.

Cemetery Details

Oakland Cemetery

Park Avenue
Princeton, IL 61356

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **24**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Norberg Memorial Home, Inc.
701 E. Thompson Street
Princeton, IL 61356
(815) 875-2425
norberg@norbergfh.com
<https://www.norbergfh.com/>

Service

AUG **24**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 AM (CT)

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Graveside

AUG **24**. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Oakland Cemetery

Tribute Wall

NR

“ Hugs to all.... I think of you all often from babysitting to grown-up times! I loved that old house on the corner, my cousins lived there before you. My thoughts are with you all. Nancy Squires Ross, Omaha, NE.

Nancy A Ross - August 31, 2020 at 02:55 AM

ST

“ Sandy Thompson sent a virtual gift in memory of Marilyn J Fordham




Sandy Thompson - August 26, 2020 at 09:10 AM

LF

“ Love in Christ, Rochelle Baptist Church family. purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Marilyn J Fordham.



Love in Christ, Rochelle Baptist Church family. - August 24, 2020 at 01:35 PM

 Doris Cruse

“ Doris Cruse lit a candle in memory of Marilyn J Fordham



Doris Cruse - August 23, 2020 at 09:57 PM

BB

“ Barb Beauchem lit a candle in memory of Marilyn J Fordham



barb Beauchem - August 23, 2020 at 07:04 PM

FP

“ Foster Daughter Pat lit a candle in memory of Marilyn J Fordham



Foster Daughter Pat - August 23, 2020 at 01:40 AM

KD

“ so sorry to hear this

Karen Dean - August 22, 2020 at 10:53 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Marilyn J Fordham.



August 22, 2020 at 03:29 PM