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Deborah JoAnn Gillen, 72, of Decatur, passed away Tuesday, October 8, 2019, at Hickory Point Christian Village, surrounded by her loving family.

Deborah was born October 31, 1946, in Decatur, IL to Michael Norbert and JoAnn Lucille (Watson) Griffin. She married Ronald Gillen on July 18, 1987 in Decatur, IL. He passed away May 5, 2019. Deborah adored and loved spending time with her grandchildren and never missed a game.

She is survived by her children, Timothy (Aimee) Fyke, Kelley (Shawn) Overrocker, Cara (Tom) Peter and Joseph (Corey) Fyke; her stepchildren, Ronald Gillen, Daniel (Lisa) Gillen and Laura Schultz; her grandchildren, Danielle, Sydney, Ryan, Addison, Dalton, Evan, Griffin, Knox, Rylie, Brody, Tommy, Noah, Brynn, Avery, Tessa Jo, Jennifer, Amy, Katie, Tyler, Jayne, Mitch, Tony, Chris,; and her brother, Craig (Sue) Griffin.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Ronald; and her sister, Diane Wayne.

Funeral services to celebrate the life of Deborah Gillen will be 12 p.m. Monday, October 14, 2019, at Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Monday before the service at the funeral home. Entombment will be in Star of Hope Mausoleum in Graceland Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to St. Teresa High School Educational Fund 2710 N. Water St., Decatur, IL 62526.

The family of Deborah Gillen is being served by Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home, 2091 N. Oakland Ave. Decatur, IL. Please view the complete online obituary, send condolences, and share memories at www.gracelandfairlawn.com.



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RL

Rick & Sherri Lewis. posted:

So sorry for your loss .Deb was a Very Nice Person sorry I didn't know of her Passing or I would of Definitely been at her Visitation.

October 31 at 12:24 PM

DF

Don Frank posted:

Dear Kelly and family. I'm so sorry to hear about your mom passing. We had so much fun working together for many years. She was such a fun spirited woman. We also so enjoyed staying at her place in myrtle beach. She was so proud of her family and loved talking about the fun times you all shared. She will be missed so much. May those memories comfort you throughout your life.

October 24 at 8:23 AM

JR

Jill Ray posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with all of you . So sorry for the loss of my dear sweet cousin Deb ! Jill Ray

October 9 at 3:14 PM

JW

Jana Ebig (Watson) posted:

Dear Family,I'm so sorry for your loss. Prayers and condolences to all of you. She was too young to pass so soon. She had the best personality and so loving. I am Deb's cousin from California and she will be missed.Deepest sympathy,The Ebig Family and Jean Watson

October 9 at 2:12 PM



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John Crisp posted:

Tim, Kelly, Cara, & Joey. I am so sorry for your loss. Your mom was one of the most terrific people I knew! Your mom had a very special place in my heart. Know that she is looking down on you guys smiling knowing what a great job she did with you kids! I will miss her greatly. I know that she is out of pain and she is with our maker. On another note I do want to tell you a story about the prank I played on her. I called her on her cell phone and when she answered I told her that we were in town and I was trying to find her house to say hello. I kept telling her that I was on the West side of Decatur. I ask her if she would step outside and wave so I would go to the correct house. She did as I asked and I told her I still didn't see her. Well after a few moments I let her in on the prank! I was teasing her but that. I would be over the next day to visit. What a trooper she was. She warned me she would get me back. Her sense of humor was great. I will miss her very dearly! She was a character! She and all of your families will be in my prayers??????

October 8 at 5:00 PM



Gwen Knight posted:

Dear Kelly and family, Sorry to learn of your moms passing. I worked with Debbie when I first started at the phone company. Keeping you all in my thoughts and Prayers. Deepest Sympathy, Gwen Knight

October 8 at 12:25 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Deborah by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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