



# Barbara "Joanne" Rigdon

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**B**arbara "Joanne" Rigdon, 84, of Decatur, passed away Monday morning, April 9, 2018, at Decatur Memorial Hospital, with her family by her side.

Joanne was born November 2, 1933, in Charleston, IL to Earl and Della (Gordon) Smyser. She married Ralph E "Gene". Rigdon on December 18, 1954. Joanne and her husband managed and owned Glass Specialty and Rigdon Glass Company in Decatur.

She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Ralph; two sons, Rick (Jovita) Rigdon of Decatur, IL and Brett (Julie) Rigdon of St. Louis, MO; son-in-law, John Manzella of Champaign, IL; three granddaughters, Rachel Manzella, Sarah Manzella and Ellie Rigdon; and one sister, Mary Ann (Bud) Vallandingham of Decatur, IL.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her daughter, Cynthia Manzella; two brothers and one sister.

Funeral services to celebrate the life of Joanne will be 12 p.m. Thursday, April 12, 2018, at the Star of Hope Mausoleum in Graceland Cemetery. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Thursday before the service at the Star of Hope in Graceland Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to the American Heart Association 2141 W White Oaks Dr # A, Springfield, IL 62704.

The family of Joanne Rigdon is being served by Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home, 2091 N. Oakland Ave. Decatur, IL. Please view the online obituary, send condolences, and share memories at [www.gracelandfairlawn.com](http://www.gracelandfairlawn.com).



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**Brad Smith** posted:

Many, many years ago my mom and dad visited with Gene and Joanne and I remember those visits even today. They were both so nice and friendly and always welcoming. My dad, Bob Smith, was friends with Gene. You have my deepest sympathy and prayers. Brad Smith

April 18 at 12:29 PM

MC

**Minerva Cruz** posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Barbara "Joanne" Rigdon

April 10 at 2:30 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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