



# **Rose M. (Eliff) Neathery**

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**D**ecatur – Rose M. (Elliff) Neathery, 91, of Decatur, passed away Tuesday, October 3, 2017, at Fair Havens Christian Home in Decatur, IL.

Rose was born September 23, 1926, in Grove City, IL, the daughter of John Lee and Georgianna (Smart) Bratcher. She was married to William T. Elliff January 1948, and he passed away April 22, 1970. She then married Ralph E. Neathery, November 24, 1971, and he passed away August 1990. She was also preceded in death by her parents, brothers: Charles, Ray, Ernest, and Earl Bratcher; sisters: Leona Ross, Helen Perkins, and Grace Shofner; and grandson, Greg Freeman.

Surviving are her four children: Marilyn Kellogg of Oakley, Marsha (Jeff) Freeman of Mt. Zion, William “Randy” (Diane) Elliff of Niantic, and Emily (Mike) Tindill of Clinton; grandchildren: William (Meredith) Crafton, Don Gillespey, Tom (Laura) Kellogg, John Kellogg, Rodney (Misty) Freeman, Mike Freeman, Cindy (Rick) Nystrom, Becky (Scott) Ford, Heather (Jack) Dykes, Sarah (Jason) Earl, Elizabeth Heady (Kelly Huser), and Laura (Patrick) Elliff Cruz; fourteen great grandchildren, many nieces and nephews; lifelong friends the Rawlings family; and her beloved cats: Blackie and Fannie Mae.

Rose was a member of Weldon Baptist Church and retired from Kirby Hospital in Monticello. Rose’s hobbies were gardening, doll collecting, and thrift-shopping with her sisters and daughters.

Services to celebrate Rose’s life will be 3 pm, Saturday, October 7, 2017, at Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home with Pastor Clive Shreve officiating. Visitation will be one hour before the services with burial in Graceland Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Weldon Baptist Church, Weldon, IL 61882. Rose’s family would like to extend a special thanks to Fair Havens Christian Home for all their love and care.

The family of Rose Marie Neathery is being served by the Graceland/Fairlawn



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Funeral Home and Cremation Center, 2091 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, IL 62526.

Condolences and memories may be shared at [www.gracelandfairlawn.com](http://www.gracelandfairlawn.com).

Video Tribute for Rose Marie Neathery:

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/3CLNR47JJ39ZP22M>



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SH

**Sheila Holcomb** posted:

I want to express my sincerest condolences to Rose's family. I only met Rose a couple of times when I was with her daughter, Emily. Rose seemed very sweet and was very nice to me when I was helping out with a rummage sale at her home. Knowing her disposition, I am sure Rose will be sorely missed by all her family and friends. My thoughts and prayers will be with you all. Sheila Holcomb

October 6 at 6:22 PM

CN

**Cindy Nystrom** posted:

A wonderful grandma and person, with such a big heart. I will forever remember our times together and my favorite times, helping her with one of her many garage sales. Rest now, Grandma, you will be missed dearly here on Earth, but are with the Lord now.

October 5 at 6:26 AM

CW

**Carol Rawlings Wilderman** posted:

We have so many memories, me and my brothers begging to go to her house and her giving us sherbet, her and mom we're best friends, loved her green beans! Rose was like family to all of us, going to miss her dearly. All my love to her family.

October 4 at 4:22 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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