



Mary Alice Rule

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Decatur-Mary Alice Rule, 95, of Decatur, passed away Friday, December 30, 2016 at Imboden Creek Living Center.

Mary Alice was born June 5, 1921 in Decatur, Illinois, the daughter of John Dale and Hazel Marie (Gordon) Dixson. She was a devoted homemaker and previously employed as a cook with DPS #61. Mary Alice was a member of Central Christian Church, the Allstater's, and Decatur Quilting Association. She was very talented around the house and enjoyed baking, cooking, and sewing. She married William D. Rule September 9, 1939 in St. Charles, Missouri. He preceded her in death January 22, 2015 after seventy-five years of marriage.

Mary Alice leaves behind her sons Larry Rule (Marsha) of Decatur and Daniel (Lori) Rule of Decatur, daughters Sandra (Don) Walker of Decatur and Nancy Rule White of Decatur, brothers Dean Dixson of Decatur and James Dixson of Galveston, Texas, sister Ruth Ann Galka of Decatur, thirteen grandchildren, eighteen great-grandchildren, two great-great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews. Mary Alice was reunited in Heaven with her parents, husband Bill, brothers Grover and Gordon Dixson, sister Norma Theobald, and granddaughter Stephanie Colebar. The family would like to express their sincere appreciation to Dr. McCormack and staff, and to the nurses and staff at Imboden Creek Living Center for all of their compassionate outstanding care.

Services to celebrate Mary Alice's life will be 10 AM Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home. Visitation will be from 5-7 PM Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at the funeral home. Burial to follow in Graceland Cemetery.

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



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JS

Jeanie Shuff posted:

It's been many years since I last saw Mary Alice, but have many fond memories of her & the family. My thoughts & prayers are with you at this difficult time. Would love to reconnect with you, Ruth Ann!

January 3 at 7:57 AM

TC

Tosha Coley posted:

My condolences to the family... I cared for Mary for about 4 months and in that time she stole my heart....Such a beautiful lady she loved everyone that stepped in her path she will be greatly missed at Imboden Creek WE LOVE YOU MARY ALICE RULE from your friend Tosha and the staff at Imboden Creek Living Center

January 2 at 12:30 PM

DS

Debbie Cox Schwalbe posted:

Nancy and Ruth Ann, I continue to grieve the loss of your mother and sister. Mary Alice has been a bright spot in my life when I would see her at Imboden Creek Living Center. Having my loved one in an extended care facility often places me on an emotional roller coaster, and seeing Mary Alice there has often soothed my soul. Nancy, I remember meeting your mother many years ago at DMH; and that first impression of her left me a definite imprint on how beautiful she was at that time. It was only until after we talked on Friday that I realized the connection with Mary Alice. May God continue to keep you all and cherish your memories of her.

January 2 at 3:11 AM

RS

Resa Benz-Spiker posted:

Lit a candle in memory of Mary Alice Rule

January 1 at 1:24 PM

CR

Claudette Patheal Roberts posted:

Sandy, I want to send my condolences for the loss of your mom. That's a hard loss to take. Please be comforted by your beautiful memories of her. Sincerely, Claudette Patheal Roberts.

January 1 at 8:41 AM



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Judith Brumaster posted:

To the family of Mary Alice. She will be remembered by many members of the Decatur Quilt Guild. She contributed so much and we looked forward to her smile and her quilting stories. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

January 1 at 4:54 AM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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