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Judith Ann Cornell, 81, of Decatur, Illinois, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family and friends, on Thursday, June 22, 2023.

Judy was born July 22, 1941, in Granite City, IL, to Evelyn Cadwell Hefner and Louie P. Hefner. She grew up in Sullivan, IL, and graduated from Sullivan High School in 1959. She married James O. Cornell on March 21, 1975.

She is preceded in death by her husband Jim; her parents; her brother Louie and wife Joyce; and her brother Lonnie. She is survived by her son Steve Brown; sister Janet (Larry) Jamison of Del City, OK; sister-in-law Carol Hefner of Avon, IN; and her bonus children Steve (Nancy) Cornell of Decatur, IL, Dave (Mary) Cornell of Decatur, IL, Cathy (Rob) West of Carmel, IN; and many nieces, nephews, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Anyone who knew Judy knew that she loved her family more than anything in the world! She was fully vested in making sure the needs of others were met above her own. She cherished her Riverside Baptist Church family as well as her Sullivan and neighborhood friends and her Gabby's Restaurant family. Judy's kind heart and loving spirit will be forever missed by those who loved her.

A visitation will be from 11am to 12pm on Friday, June 30, at Graceland Fairlawn Funeral Home, 2091 N. Oakland Ave., Decatur, IL. Funeral service will follow at 12pm. Burial in Graceland Cemetery will follow the service. Memorials may be directed to Riverside Baptist Church. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family at www.gracelandfairlawn.com.

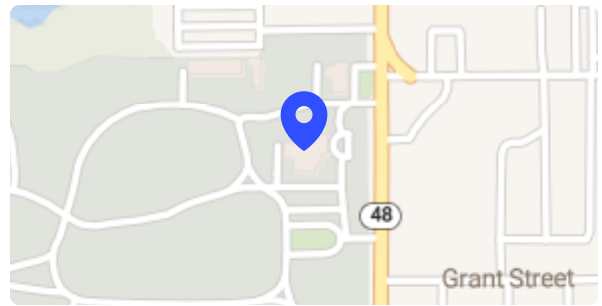


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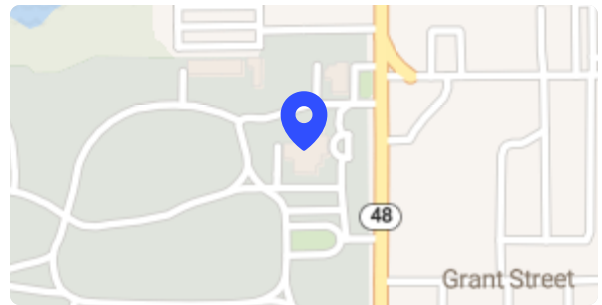
Visitation

- Friday**, June 30, 2023
- 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM CT
- Graceland Cemetery**
2091 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur IL 62526



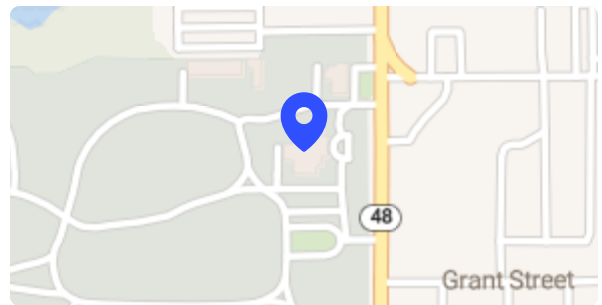
Funeral Service

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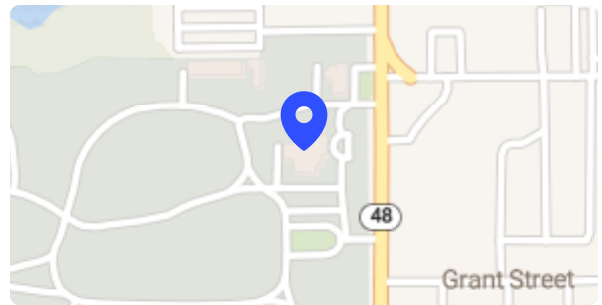
Burial Following Services

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Cemetery Details

- Graceland Cemetery**
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- (217) 615-0724**





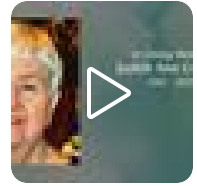
Tribute Wall

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Graceland Fairlawn shared a **Video**.



June 27 at 10:45 AM



Jeff & Dawn Jones posted:

Judy was so friendly and upbeat and always visited with us or asked how our family was. Such a caring good hearted lady! Sorry her last weeks were not easy but she is now with Jim in Heaven. We will always remember her smile and caring ways!

June 28 at 4:18 PM



Linda K Wolfe sent a "You Are Loved And In Our Prayers" Comfort Throw to the Cornell family.



June 27 at 5:19 AM



Sandra Stiverson posted:

Judy was like a sister I never had! She would always listen when I needed someone to talk to and she did the same. She will always be in my heart. Her and Jim were our good friends! Love them both. See you again someday ❤️

June 26 at 1:28 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Judith.



June 26 at 12:27 PM



Anonymous sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Cornell family.



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KH

Kathy Hughes posted:

My husband and I was friends with Jim and Judy. They was great people. Whenever we seen them I was greeted with hugs. I will miss them both dearly.

June 24 at 7:05 PM

PH

Pam Hahn posted:

Dear sweet Judy, I did not know you for long, but every time I came to Decatur and to Riverside I always looked forward to seeing you! You meant so much to my son, Tj and his family!! You shined the love of Jesus everywhere you were! thank you for being such a special servant of our Savior in every way! Give my husband a hug! Until we meet again, love, your friend, Pam Hahn

June 24 at 4:49 PM

EL

Earline J Baker Lewis posted:

I remember when we went to VBS and how hard we worked on learning Palms 100. We learned it to. Then we both loved wearing bows in our hair.

June 24 at 3:19 PM

DA

Donna L Adcock posted:

Judy was a kind and loving person. She will be missed greatly. ❤️

June 24 at 1:58 PM



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SH

Sue Hale lit a candle in honor of Judith.

There is not enough space for me to share my thoughts of Judy! She was a strong woman (in many ways) and had a very kind heart. She always wanted to take care/help others. She seemed to be a 'magnet' to most babies as she easily got them to smile. Her family was very close to her as well as her Church family - Riverside Baptist Church - where she had many friends and attended for several years. I know she had quite a battle the last few weeks of her Life, but now we know she is in Heaven with Jim and other family and friends. God Bless Us All. M. Sue Hale



June 24 at 1:13 PM

JB

Julie Bedwell July 2 at 5:20 PM

Judy was my mom's friend. Judy's kindness and caring nature were not limited to her family and friends. It extended to her friends' family members as well. She and Jim became Grandma Judy and Grandpa Jim after our son was born. She always asked about all of us and was ready with a hug when we saw her. We will miss seeing her. But, we know she is happy again now that she is with Jim. Rest in Peace Grandma Judy. Julie, Scott, & Thomas Bedwell

LW

Linda Wolfe June 27 at 5:01 AM

Judy was my neighbor and dear friend. She always put others first. A true Christian lady! We depended on each other since our husbands died two months apart. She was a Cardinal fan and of course I am a Cubs fan and we had many discussions on that subject. I will miss her so much but I know that she is happy in Heaven with Jesus and reunited with her husband Jim. I pray for the family because I know that they will miss this very special family member. Whom they loved and she loved them. Love you Judy!. Linda K Wolfe



Media

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Memories only last if you share them

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



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