



Betty Lea Cordes

September 19, 1946 - November 20, 2024

Age 78, of Maroa, IL passed away on Wednesday, November 20, 2024 under the wonderful care of the nurses and staff of the Arc of Dwight, IL. Born on September 19, 1946 in DuQuoin, IL to Elmer A. "Joe" and Madeline (nee DePaul) Tanner. On August 16, 1969 she married Dennis L. Cordes at the Braceville United Methodist Church. She retired from management at Caterpillar and then post-retirement worked as a food server at Millikin University. She enjoyed traveling and took many mini-trips with various clubs with friends. An avid Disney World fan, she also took many trips there over the years. She was a Master Gardner who was very proud of what she was able to cultivate. She volunteered at Rialto Theater events and at many local Illinois Barrel Racing Club Shows.

Surviving are her beloved husband, Dennis L Cordes of the Arc of Dwight; sons, Mickel Cordes of Carbondale, IL and Lorne (Dawn) Cordes of Chatsworth, IL; daughter, Justine (Sonny) Duke of Wilmington, IL; six grandchildren, Ashlee (Justin) Black, Adam (Danielle) Cordes, Amber Cordes, Alyssa Cordes, Stephanie Russell and Matthew Russell; four great-grandchildren, Lane Cordes, Jaxson, Roselynn and Reston Black; sister, Audrey Manegold of Braceville; brother, John Tanner of Braidwood; niece, Amie (Jason) Shaputis and nephew, Joseph (Aliesha) Tanner.

Preceding her in death were her parents, Elmer and Madeline Tanner; maternal grandparents, John and Atillia DePaul; paternal grandparents, Thomas and Giselle Tanner; and brother-in-law, Bob Manegold.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Memorial visitation will be held at R.W. Patterson Funeral Home and Crematory on Wednesday, November 27, 2024 beginning at 10:00 am until time of funeral service at 12:00 pm. Inurnment will immediately follow at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be directed to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 W. Hoff Rd.
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

NOV 27. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Service

NOV 27. 12:00 PM (CT)

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