



Marjorie Shenk Farrar

May 31, 1928 - October 20, 2024

Age 96 of Chandler, AZ and formerly of Illinois, passed away on Sunday, October 20, 2024 at Chandler Regional Medical Center, Chandler, AZ.

Marjorie was born on May 31, 1928 in Joliet, a daughter of William C. and Vera (Blogg) Shenk. She married Howard Davey Farrar on December 24, 1950. He preceded her in death on September 15, 1993.

Survivors include her daughter, Michele (Farrar) Landess and son in law, Charles Landess of Chandler, AZ; son in law Paul Eaton of Verona, Wisconsin; grandchildren, Kyle Landess, Jack Landess, Morgan Farrar, and Nathan Eaton; her sister Carolyn Saylor, seven nieces and nephews and six cousins.

In addition to her husband, she is preceded in death by her parents; one daughter, Erin Farrar; and her brother Robert Shenk.

Marjorie grew up outside the town of Wilmington, IL on the Shenk family farm. She attended school in a one room schoolhouse on the prairie near Braidwood, where she was inspired to pursue further studies in education. She graduated from Normal College with a degree in Teaching and taught English at Lostant High School, in Lostant, IL and Crete High School, in Crete, IL. Her students filled her days as a teacher with joy.

Her avid curiosity led her to become an enthusiastic stamp collector and she was extremely active in Glen Ellen Philatelic Club and a fixture at many of the stamp shows throughout the Chicago area. Later in life she returned to the family farm where she spent many years gardening, reading, caring for her

farm kitties, cooking and continuing her philately pursuits.

Devoted to her family, she took great pride and delight in the accomplishments of her children and grandchildren. Her pies were a fixture at every family gathering and her wry sense of humor and keen observations on the events of the day were a delight to both friends and family.

A visitation will be held from 12:00 pm until the time of the 2:00 pm service on Wednesday, November 13, 2024 at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Home, Braidwood IL with burial to follow at Oakwood Cemetery, Wilmington. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be directed to the American Cancer Society or The Wounded Warrior Project.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery-Wilmington

P.O. Box 775 700 Williams Street
Located at the intersection of Williams and
Oak Street
Wilmington, IL 60481

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 13. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Please accept our sincere condolences on the loss of Marjorie. We appreciate her loyalty of many years to our Cats on Stamps Study Unit society. We will honor her memory in the upcoming issue of Cat Mews. Her family can contact me at catmews1@yahoo.com.

Sincerely,

Marci Jarvis, Editor

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