



# Raymonde Jackson

**Bethalto | Friday, November 24 2023**

Raymonde (Monie) Francoise Henriette Germaine Lostetter Jackson, age 85, went home to be with Jesus at 12:30 a.m. on November 24, 2023, surrounded by family at home after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease.

Monie was born on January 10, 1938, daughter of Felix and Aimee (Paulmier) Lostetter, in Paris, France, under Nazi occupation, and knew nothing but war during the first 7 years of her life. When she was 15 years old, her family moved to Jerseyville, Illinois. On November 24, 1956, she married Donald Carl Jackson, Sr. They spent 65 years together before he preceded her in death on April 28, 2022. She learned about God in a church in Fidelity, Illinois, where they both accepted Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

Monie earned bachelor's and master's degrees from SIU-Edwardsville while raising three children. She taught French, Spanish and English for over 30 years at Roxana Junior High school. After retiring from teaching at Roxana, she also taught Spanish at Christian schools in the area.

Monie's love for the Lord and for others resulted in her becoming a remarkable, compassionate and dedicated leader and minister of God. She became an ordained pastor with her own church, the Hiding Place, in Bethalto, Illinois. Later, she preached at churches in the area, and her husband, Don, had a music ministry.

Monie wanted everyone to know Jesus and His love for us. She loved everyone and everyone loved her. She never accepted money for her ministry except when churches provided funds to pay for French Bibles, which she took to Paris, France on two separate trips.

Monie wrote a memoir about her life and Jesus' love for us, *My Heart Yearns for You*. Please contact a family member if you would like a digital copy

Monie will be deeply missed by all who knew her. She is survived by three children: Terrie Nagel (David), Donald Carl Jackson, Jr., and Denise Jackson; grandchildren: Michelle Nagel-Guffey (Brandon), and David N. Nagel; and four great grandchildren: Gabrielle, Isabelle, Annabelle, and Noelle Guffey. She is also survived by two sisters, Nicole Finke and Ginette Sevier (Ron), and nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Monie is preceded in death by her husband, Donald Carl Jackson Sr., her son, Danny Wayne, her parents, Felix and Aimee Lostetter, her brother Andre, and her sister, Solange Brown. Monie also loved animals and always had a little dog in her arms. She is also survived by her loyal dog, Fillette, and her cat Precious.

Monie will be forever remembered for her sweetness and her courageous, compassionate ministry and worshipful love for the Lord. "I love and desire to hear Him say, "My Heart Yearns for You!"

Visitation will be held Wednesday, November 29, 2023 from 10:00 am until the time of service at 11:00 am at Elias, Kallal and Schaaf Funeral Home in Bethalto with Pastor Terry McKenzie officiating.

Burial will take place in the Oak Grove Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to Heart's Harvest Church or 5 A's.

Online condolences can be given at [www.eliaskallalandschaaf.com](http://www.eliaskallalandschaaf.com).