



# Diane Vukson

**East Alton | Thursday, February 1 2024**

Diane K. Vukson, age 86 of East Alton, IL, died Thursday, February 1, 2024, at her home in East Alton, IL.

She was born on Sunday, April 18, 1937, in Chicago, IL, the daughter of Henry and Greta (nee Torkelson) Johnson.

On Saturday, July 31, 1965, she married Eli H. Vukson at South Holland, IL, who passed away on Monday, May 5, 2014.

She was a member of National Education Association, Book Club, Red Hat Ladies, and Card and Domino Groups.



Mrs. Vukson was born in Chicago, IL, to first generation of Swedish parents in the United States. She graduated from Augustana College in 1959 and moved to Berkeley, CA, where she taught in primary schools. She returned to Chicago and after her marriage they moved to Highland, IL in 1976 for her husband's work. They had lived in several places where her husband's work took them. She was a reading resource teacher at Highland; taught in the Litchfield School District in elementary education, and retired in the early 2000's. She received a Masters Degree at SIUE in 1964. She loved volunteering for teaching children and other volunteer activities. She and Eli had done a lot of traveling to China, Sweden, Denmark, Norway, the Panama Canal, Central America, Greece and Turkey. She enjoyed visiting the "boat". Her favorite sports team was the Chicago Cubs. Her home contained Asian furniture and art.

**Survivors include:**

Daughter - Jenny R. Vukson, Edwardsville, IL

Daughter - Beret K. (Darin) Sheary, East Alton, IL

Niece - Sharon (Dan) Gilles, Champaign, IL

Niece - Susan (Craig) Miller, Tampa, FL

Nephew - Kenneth (Leanne) Johnson, Ridgeway, Ontario.

**She was preceded in death by:**

Father - Henry H. Johnson - Died 3/10/1990

Mother - Greta D. V. Johnson (nee Torkelson) - Died 11/12/1996

Husband - Eli H. Vukson - Died 5/5/2014

Sister - Mary Ann Johnson - Died 2/18/1989.

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Friday, February 9, 2024, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM on Saturday, February 10, 2024, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral Service will be at 10:00 AM on Saturday, February 10, 2024, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL, officiating, Rev. Scott Busacker, Pastor, Hope Lutheran Church, Highland, IL, officiating.

Interment will be at Highland City Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Louis Latzer Memorial Public Library or Dolly Parton's Imagination Library.