



Juanita Lowrance

Bethalto | Monday, December 2 2013

Juanita Mae (Gowin) Lowrance, 78, a devoted and loving wife, mother, mother-in-law, grandmother, and friend, passed away on Thursday, January 2, 2014 at 5:40 pm at Bethalto Care Center, with family by her side.

She was born on August 23, 1935, in Hardin, IL, the daughter of Minor and Loretta (Evering) Gowin.

Juanita married Robert Lowrance on November 13, 1954, and they shared 58 wonderful years of marriage before his death on September 6, 2013.



She was employed by Bethalto CUSD #8 for 25 years, retiring as a bus driver in 1992.

She attended Cottage Hills Baptist Church where she was an active member of the Women's Group. Along with her husband, Juanita was involved in starting the Boys and Girls Club of Bethalto. She was a respected Cub Scout Den Mother, PTA room-mother for all of her sons, as well as a member of the Red Hat Society, Bethalto Senior Citizens Pinochle Club, and Fosterburg Senior Citizens Club. Juanita loved to camp and enjoyed many family trips to Bennett Springs, MO. Most of all, she loved spending time with her children and grandchildren at family gatherings and her grandchildren's sporting events.

She is survived by four sons and daughters-in-law, Robert "Bob" and Terri Lowrance of Holiday Shores, Steve and Patti Lowrance, Tim and Jeanette Lowrance, and Jay and Sue Lowrance, all of Bethalto; nine grandchildren, Robby, Ryan, Eric Schmidt, Paige Schmidt, Mackenzie, Kaleb, Jakob, Jonathan, and Jaylyn; two brothers, James and Barb Gowin of Carrolton, John and Gloria Gowin of Wood River, and one sister, Doris Gowin of Bethalto and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Cheryl Lee, four brothers, William, Garland, George, Joseph and one sister, Diana McCauley.

Visitation will be from 2 to 6 pm Sunday, January 5, 2014 at Elias, Kallal & Schaaf Funeral Home in Bethalto.

Services will be at 11:00 am Monday, January 6, 2014 at Cottage Hills Baptist Church with Pastor Clyde Myers officiating.

Burial will follow at Rose Lawn Memory Gardens in Bethalto.

Memorials may be given to the Boys and Girls Club of Bethalto or the Cottage Hills Baptist Church.

Online condolence and guestbook may be found at www.eliascallalandschaaf.com