



Betty Long

Jerseyville | Sunday, February 23 2014

Betty Sue Long, 78, was called home by our Lord on Sunday, February 23, 2014 at the Des Peres Hospital in St. Louis County, Mo.

She was born in Batchtown on June 16, 1935, the daughter of the late Martin & Clara (Ritchey) Coughlin.

She graduated in 1954 from Hardin High School, and soon married her high school sweetheart, Morris Long, on Dec. 4, 1954 in Hardin. Together they have been blessed with 59 years together creating a beautiful family, traveling and enjoying every moment they spent with each other. A highlight of their life was when Morris became a pilot, bought an airplane and took the love of his life soaring in the skies.



Betty was the closest thing to an angel on earth, and she loved with her whole heart and her entire world revolved around her family and friends.

She was a longtime member of the Church of Christ in Jerseyville, and had worked at Jersey Community Hospital for 13 years. After leaving the hospital, she worked as a greeter at Wal-Mart in Jerseyville where she was known as the "Red Headed Lady", and also gave her heart and compassionate spirit in caring for the elderly in their homes.

Surviving are her husband, Morris Long of Jerseyville; three daughters & sons in law, Vali Johnisee of Maryville, Sandy Long of Jacksonville, and Monice & Rodney Schmieder of Jerseyville; four grandchildren & their spouses, Tara & Dana Plunkett of Nutwood, Jennifer Pruitt of Jerseyville, Christopher & Amanda Pruitt of Godfrey, and

Jarrold Pruitt of Jerseyville; three great grandchildren, Alane Plunkett, Brayden Hall, and Madelyn Pruitt; two sisters, Adele Blacklock of Redwood Valley, Ca. and Laura Knapp of Sedalia, Mo.; along with numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a son in law, Terry Johnisee; three brothers, Henry, Harry & Walter Coughlin; and two sisters, Geraldine Smith and Audrey Hug.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m., Wednesday at the Crawford Funeral Home in Jerseyville ,where funeral services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Thursday.

Burial will be in the Indian Creek Cemetery in Hamburg.

In lieu of flowers and plants,

Memorials may be given to an educational fund for her great grandchildren and may be given in care of the funeral home.