



Dolores Ann Porter

October 19, 1937 - February 27, 2025

IN MEMORY OF:

Dolores Ann Porter

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – MURPHYSBORO

1421 Walnut Street, Murphysboro, Illinois

Dolores Ann Porter, age 87, of Murphysboro, passed away on Thursday, February 27, 2025 at Memorial Hospital in Carbondale.

She was born on October 19, 1937 to Henry J. and Eva M. (Erikson) Daniel in Murphysboro, Illinois.

Dolores was a lifetime member of St. Andrew Catholic Church in Murphysboro. She was very active as a Girl Scout/Cub Scout leader and room mother, among many other volunteer duties when her children were in school at St. Andrews. She continued her volunteer services by helping with her amazing cooking skills at the St. Andrew Parish Festival for many years, along with providing dishes for many funeral services at St. Andrew Church.

Dolores had many jobs over the years to help assist her family financially, from delivering the Murphysboro American Newspaper, head cook for breakfast and lunch at Roosevelt Square Nursing Home, she attended Shawnee College in Ullin, IL to achieve her Certified Nursing Assistant certificate and worked many years at Jackson County Nursing Home. She then worked at Dollar General in Murphysboro, we believe because she enjoyed being out among people.

Dolores provided long time care for many people, including her mother, Eva Daniel when she was afflicted with leukemia, her mother-in-law, Elsie Porter, her Aunt Gertrude Fraley, her brother Henry Daniel and of course her loving husband of 65 years, Harlen "Tiny" Porter. She cared for her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. She loved them dearly and they all have wonderful memories of spending time with her hiking, traveling, movies, DQ ice cream, monthly family dinners and much more. We truly believe her purpose in life was to be a caregiver and family entertainer. She was the best family matriarch for us. We will all miss her dearly, but we know she is at peace with our dad, her parents, siblings and many other loving relatives and friends.

Survivors include four children, Cheryl Thorpe of KS, Linda Porter-Smith of Murphysboro (and fiance Joe Pineau of Anna, IL), Steve Porter (Claire) of Murphysboro and Andrew Porter (Leigh) of Carterville, IL, five grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren, brother, Henry Daniel, first cousin, Karl Fraley, along with many nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews and many other cousins, family and friends.

Dolores was preceded in death by her parents, one sister, Rita Schlimpert, one brother, Richard Daniel and a son-in-law, Andre Thorpe.

A Memorial Mass will be held on Thursday, March 20, 2025 at 11:00 AM at St.

Andrew Catholic Church in Murphysboro with Father Joel Seipp officiating. A memorial visitation will be held prior to Mass beginning at 10:00 AM.

Inurnment will follow the Mass at Pleasant Grove Memorial Park.

The family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions be made to St. Andrew Catholic Church and/or St. Andrew School.

The cremation of Dolores Ann Porter will be personally handled by the staff of Crain Funeral Home.

Crain Funeral Home in Murphysboro is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Pleasant Grove Memorial Park

31 Memorial Dr.
Murphysboro, IL 62966
(618) 687-1145
crain@crainsonline.com

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

MAR 20. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (cst)

St. Andrew Catholic Church
724 Mulberry St.
Murphysboro, IL

Memorial Mass

MAR 20. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (cst)

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Inurnment

MAR **20**. 12:15 PM - 12:45 PM (cst)

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Tribute Wall



“ From the Schlimpert family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Dolores Ann Porter.



From the Schlimpert family - March 15, 2025 at 08:05 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Dolores Ann Porter.



March 09, 2025 at 03:58 PM



“ I will miss seeing her at the book sales at the library, and just around town. Always so pleasant, and happy to see you, she was such a sweet person.

Cathy Hines-Boulton - March 06, 2025 at 06:06 PM



“ Mrs porter was such a kind lady. She was my brownie leader for several years when I was a kid. Prayers of comfort for her family!

jane williams - March 04, 2025 at 08:51 AM