



Elaine Jodene Porterfield

February 28, 1934 - June 17, 2020

Elaine Jodene Porterfield, 86, of Dongola, passed away 3:50PM on Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at The Anchor in Marion.

Jodene was born February 28, 1934 in Dongola to Russell Henry and Helen L. (Hinkle) McCommons. She married Franklin Delano "Barney" Porterfield on March 6, 1955. He preceded her in death on August 26, 2017.

Jodene worked for Southern Illinois Electric Cooperative for over 40 years. She was a 1952 graduate of Dongola High School. She enjoyed genealogy, reading and cooking. Jodene was very caring and giving and proudly sent care packages for enlisted troops. She was a member of Beta Sigma Phi and the Eastern Star. She also was a member of the First Baptist Church of Dongola for over 70 years.

She is survived by her daughter, Jan Porterfield of Nashville, TN; sister, Patricia Beggs of Anna; special children, Kyle and Cynthia Kern of Dongola; special grandchildren, Erica (Jacob) Poat, Gracen Kern both of Dongola; special great-grandchildren, Carson and Aubrey Jo Poat both of Dongola; numerous nieces and nephews.

Jodene was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Barney Porterfield; and sister, Betty McCommons.

Visitation will be from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM Sunday, June 21, 2020 at Crain Funeral Home in Dongola. Groups of 10 people at a time will be allowed in to pay their respects.

Private services for the family will be held later at the cemetery with Rev. Paul Sadler officiating. Interment will be in the Christian Chapel Cemetery in Dongola.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Christian Chapel Cemetery and will be accepted at the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Christian Chapel Cemetery

Dongola, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 21. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Dongola
106 NW Front St.
Dongola, IL 62926
866-592-7246
crain@crainsonline.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Elaine Jodene Porterfield*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Elaine was so sweet. She worked with Jim at SIEC. She was a neighbor, a friend, - such a sweet lady. She gave us some family history facts. Just a wonderful lady. We are so sorry for your great loss. Prayers for the family.*
Jim and Karen Kaufman

Jim Kaufman - June 23, 2020 at 01:24 PM



“ *My favorite memories of Jodene will always be of her attending the step box aerobics classes that I taught about 15 years ago. She always claimed the back row so she didn't throw anyone else off of the routine because she was back there doing her own little thing. She was moving and grooving to her own rhythm. She did more exercising than many people half her age. Us younger ladies enjoyed her company and spunk during those classes. She was a real treasure to this world, our church and community. She will be sorely missed by all.*

Sylvia Needham - June 18, 2020 at 05:07 PM



“ *Jan,*

Sorry for your loss. She was a sweet lady and I always enjoyed visiting your parents with you on some weekend many many years ago! Good Memories my friend. Bless - Beth Pettit Jirik

Beth Pettit Jirik - June 18, 2020 at 03:47 PM

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“ *Beth Pettit Jirik lit a candle in memory of Elaine Jodene Porterfield*



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