



Norma Elaine Gerstenschlager Johnson

March 3, 1942 - August 17, 2008

Norma Elaine Gerstenschlager Johnson, age 66, of Murphysboro, passed away at 3:15 a.m. Sunday, August 17, 2008, at the Rehab and Care Center of Jackson County in Murphysboro, Illinois.

Norma was born on March 3, 1942, in Murphysboro, Illinois, to Raymond and Margaret (Gill) Weston.

She was a seamstress and had her own business to make custom drapes.

Mrs. Johnson was a member of the United Methodist Church in Murphysboro, Illinois.

Elaine married Gale Gerstenschlager on December 6, 1958, in Vergennes, Illinois, and he preceded her in death on May 9, 1987. She later married Bill Johnson on October 5, 1997, at the Hickory Ridge Golf Course and he survives. Elaine enjoyed a rich, full life; the first half of being wife, mother, and homemaker and the later half of being a wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother and able to travel with her husband.

Other survivors include one son and daughter in law Alan and Marcia Gerstenschlager of Ava; two granddaughters Brandi Bitner and her husband Doug Bitner of Ava, and Nicole Gerstenschlager of Ava; and one great

grandson Derek Bitner of Ava;

two step children Bill Johnson, Jr of Birmingham, AL and Lynn Raines and her husband Roger Raines of Clarksville, TN and three step grandchildren Julie Raines, Ellen Raines and Toby Raines, all of Clarksville, TN:

two sisters Imogene Lee and her husband Herman Lee and Louise Mileur and her husband Murl Mileur, all of Murphysboro;

one sister in law Betty Weston of Missouri; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by two brothers Raymond Weston and Dale Weston, two sisters Thelma Thompson and Bonnie Ruth Weston, and her parents.

Tribute Wall



“ *Norma Elaine Gerstenschlager Johnson*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Aunt Elaine, I miss talking and laughing with you. You were always such a joy to be around never a dull moment even when at times I was unable to get a word in (ha,ha) I remember you telling me to tell every one how hard you fought and that you did you were a very strong lady and I hope I can be as strong as you were. You are greatly missed.*

Love your niece

Margaret

Margaret Quigley - September 21, 2008 at 12:48 PM



“ *Dear Imogene, Louise & Family,
I am so sorry to hear about Elaine's passing. Please accept our sincere sympathy. Sue Shaffer (Gill)*

Sue Shaffer (Gill) - August 19, 2008 at 01:22 PM