



Kay Ellen Gibbs

May 10, 1938 - January 7, 2024

Kay Ellen Gibbs, age 85, passed away peacefully at home on January 7, 2024.

Kay was born on May 10, 1938 in Peoria, IL to Mary Margaret (Geitner) Keayes and John William Keayes. She married Buddy Gibbs on April 17, 1965.

Kay is survived by her husband, Buddy; sons, Ray (Mary) and Eric Daugherty of Houston, TX and a daughter, Vickie (Woody) Boykin of Mississippi; one sister, Mary Lou (Kent) Budke of East Peoria, four grandchildren, Gene Sperry of Heyworth, Carmen Sperry of Phoenix, AZ, Rachael Daugherty of Houston, TX, and Chris Hopkins of Houston, TX; two great-grandchildren, Hailey Sperry of Heyworth and Brailey Boykin of Mississippi; one niece, Lisa (Todd) Schofield; and one nephew, Glen (Sally) Williams; as well as great-nieces, great-nephews, and cousins.

She is preceded in death by her parents, John and Margaret Keayes; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Kay worked at Sears for many years making custom drapes. She was a talented artist making ceramics, wedding cakes, paintings, and clothing. Kay loved talking to people. She was a giver of free hugs and made friends

wherever she went. She loved animals and had numerous pets from early childhood throughout her life.

Kay's family has arranged a Celebration of Life Gathering from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm on Saturday, March 16, 2024 at Quail Meadows Golf Course, 2215 Centennial Drive, Washington, IL 61571.

Memorials can be made to TAPS (Tazewell Animal Protective Society) in Pekin, IL.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Gathering

MAR 16. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Quail Meadows Golf Course

2215 Centennial Drive

Washington, IL 61571

Tribute Wall



“ *Kay Ellen Gibbs*

Schmidt Haller Burial and Cremation Services - August 13, 2024 at 01:19 PM