



Martha Jean Bolen

December 27, 1936 - December 24, 2024

Martha Jean Bolen, 87, of 1005 Prim Rose in Metamora, IL passed away on Tuesday, December 24, 2024 at Snyder Village in Metamora.

Born December 27, 1936 in Mason City, IL, to Paul Wayne and Vivian (Earl) Mangold. She married Larry Bolen, who preceded her in death in April 1996. Surviving are her son, Marc Bubert (Kayla) of Washington, daughter, Meryl (Tim) of Deer Creek, IL, and a step son Joe (Kim) Bolen of East Peoria, IL. She has 9 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, a son, two sisters, and a great granddaughter.

Marty grew up on a farm and enjoyed raising and showing cattle. She was awarded the Betty Crocker Homemakers Award in the 1950's. She owned and operated Keepsake Kraft in Washington and taught oil painting. She enjoyed being a homemaker, yardwork, sewing, arts and crafts. She groomed dogs and was very passionate about her corgis. She was a member of Eastern Star and was involved with the Peoria Art Guild.

Per Martha Jean's request, there will be a cremation and no public service. A private burial will be in Fondulac Cemetery in East Peoria. Memorial donations

can be made to a charity of your choosing in memory of her.

Tribute Wall

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“ *I miss Martha Jean. We corresponded for years. She was a beloved classmate and friend.*

Sonja - January 01, 2025 at 01:09 PM

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“ *I was blessed to be Martha's friend for the past 7 years. I will miss her dearly. She was so kind, loving and funny. Martha loved her family so much and shared so many stories about everyone.
Merle thank you for elephant painting and allowing me take good care of her precious Farley, who meant the everything to her.
I am glad she is no longer in pain and in the arms of her Heavenly Father and I will cherish every memory of our time together and smile knowing she has been reunited with her family in Heaven.
Prayers to the entire family for your loss.*

Angy Chasteen - December 31, 2024 at 06:36 PM

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“ *Martha Jean Bolen*

Sonja Lutz - December 31, 2024 at 12:45 PM

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“ Martha Jean was a cousin of six. That being said these cousins were the children of - sisters of the “Earl family” being Vivian Mangold, Eileen Sanert and Shirley Orcutt. The tenacity of the Earl family was the American dream. Grandma Earl, Bertha Becker, had all the cousins participate in all the holiday events at her home in Mason City consistently until she could no more. \nMartha Jean was the oldest cousin and three other have past prior: Juanita Orcutt Harvey, Darrell Sanert and Jeri Mangold Garmin The two still surviving is Errol Sanert and Kristine Orcutt Hoehn. \n\nWhenever Kristine and I were visiting Illinois from Texas, which was more times I can count. She always opened her doors and treated us so kindly and took us around Peoria and Washington. We always fell in love with her corgis! \nThanks for the memories and being such a loving cousin. Praying some glorious day we will see each other in the presence of Jesus. \n\nOur love and prayers to all the family at this difficult transition time in your lives. \nGod bless you all, \nPaul and Kristine Hoehn.

Paul and Kristine Hoehn - December 30, 2024 at 02:11 PM

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“ It’s a honor to know god called you home to be with other family members , No more pain and suffering ! We enjoyed being a part of your life spending time at Kentucky Lake was so much enjoyed when our children were growing up! You were our Special cousin very beautiful in so many ways.. Thanks for the art work paintings .Thanks for all the sweet memory’s you have left with us will treasure each Love to all Errol and Sylvia Sanert

Nile and Sylvia Sanert - December 28, 2024 at 10:03 AM