



Evelyn Grueninger

February 8, 1932 - February 4, 2024

Grueninger, Evelyn (nee Ward) of Columbia, Illinois, was born February 8, 1932 in Leeper, Missouri to Mote and Opal (nee Adair) Ward and entered into rest Sunday, February 4, 2024 at the age of 91 years (four days away from 92).

She is preceded in death by her parents, Papa Ray and Mama Ray; siblings, Irvin and Teddy Ward, Doyle and Alice Ward; her children's father, Carl James.

She is survived by:

Son, Herbert (the late Carol) Ray of Farmington, Missouri; children, Sarah, Emily, and Adam.

Son, Neil (Pang) Grueninger of Red Bud, Illinois; daughter, Courtney and her children, Jayden, Kaydence, and Demetria "Demi;" son, Tim and his children, Ethan, Elizabeth, and Chase; daughter, Emalee and her children, Alexis and Kash.

Daughter, Peggyann (Duane) Kloess of Columbia, Illinois; son, Jason; daughter, Kristen and her children, Kamdyn and Mia.

Son, Michael (Loretta) Grueninger of Fairmont City, Illinois; sons, Michael, and Kyle (Anna) and their daughter Amelia.

Evelyn, fondly known by her family as "mom," "momma," "gram," "Aunt Dink,"

“Evie,” was a proud graduate of Cleveland High School, Class of 1949. Throughout her years, she was active in her community as a dedicated member of the Women of the Moose and Parent-Teacher Association. Beyond her community involvement, Evelyn was an accomplished athlete, finding joy and fulfillment in dance ice skating and as a professional dance roller-skater. A cherished accomplishment of Evelyn’s was her obtaining a private pilot’s license, a testament to her adventurous spirit and fearless determination. Evelyn’s love knew no bounds and leaves behind a legacy of love, compassion, and joy that will continue to inspire all who were fortunate enough to know her. She will be deeply missed and fondly remembered by all who knew and loved her.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, February 10, 2024 from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at Chapel Hill at St. Francois Memorial Park, 6776 Vo-Tech Rd., Bonne Terre, MO, 63628. Funeral Ceremony will begin at 1:00 p.m. with interment immediately following at St. Francois Memorial Park in Bonne Terre, MO.

Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at www.stlfuneral.com and follow details of this event and others in the community at www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill.

Cemetery Details

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Bonne Terre

6776 Vo-Tec Road
Bonne Terre, MO 63628
(573) 358-2228
info@stfuneral.com
<http://www.stfuneral.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 10. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

FEB 10. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Graveside Service

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Tribute Wall

JU

“ I will always be appreciative of how kind and welcoming Evelyn was towards me. She definitely made the world a better place. Sending the whole family prayers and love ❤️ Julie

Julie - February 10, 2024 at 09:23 AM

NG

“ Neil &Pang Grueninger purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Evelyn Grueninger.



Neil &Pang Grueninger - February 08, 2024 at 09:17 PM

NG

“ Neil &Pang Grueninger planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Evelyn Grueninger.

Neil &Pang Grueninger - February 08, 2024 at 09:17 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Evelyn Grueninger.



February 08, 2024 at 04:35 PM

FJ

“ From Rico and Julie purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Evelyn Gruening.



From Rico and Julie - February 07, 2024 at 06:50 PM

GW

“ Grace Ward purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Evelyn Gruening.



Grace Ward - February 07, 2024 at 12:03 PM