



Doris Louise Eldridge

July 31, 1928 - December 7, 2016

Doris Louise Eldridge, age 88, passed away on Wednesday, December 7, 2016, at Pulaski Memorial Hospital in Winamac, Indiana. Doris was a long-time Rensselaer resident, most recently living at Parkview Haven in Francesville, Indiana. Doris was born July 31, 1928, in Dyer, Indiana, the daughter of Thelma Mae (Noland) and Clarence Alanzo Smith.

She graduated with the Class of 1946 from Remington High School, Remington, Indiana. Doris went on to attend the Electronic Radio-Television Institute of Omaha, Nebraska. She was employed for 23 years as a sales clerk at the former J. C. Penney's Store in Rensselaer.

On December 15, 1946, in Remington, Indiana Doris married Thomas N. Eldridge . Tom preceded her in death on January 30, 2005.

Doris was a member of the First Christian Church of Rensselaer and where she had been a member of the church choir. She enjoyed participating in her Bunco Club and going to the movies. Doris had relished her time with Tom when they vacationed in Arizona.

Surviving is her loving family, daughters Jill Denton of Indianapolis, Indiana and Diana (husband Gary) Lacher of Windsor, Colorado; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren living in Indiana, Colorado, Iowa, South Carolina and Japan, and her brother, Donald (wife Judy) Smith of Rensselaer, Indiana.

Doris was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Tom, two great-granddaughters, Bridgette Faith Denton and Emma Luci Smetana and one brother Robert.

Friends will be received at the Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer on Tuesday, December 13, 2016 from 9:00 -11:00 a.m. CST. Funeral services will be held at the Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer at 11:00 a.m. CST on Tuesday, December 13, 2016 with Reverend Elizabeth Hartmann officiating. Burial will follow at Memory Gardens Cemetery, Rensselaer, Indiana. Memorials may be made to the First Christian Church of Rensselaer, 327 N. Van Rensselaer Street, Rensselaer, IN 47978.

Cemetery Details

Memory Gardens of Rensselaer

Memory Gardens
Rensselaer, IN 47978
(219) 866-5125
info@jacksonfuneral.com

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 13. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer
250 N. McKinley Avenue
P.O. Box 70
Rensselaer, IN 47978
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Service

DEC 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LK

“ So sorry to hear of your mother's passing. She always had a smile on her face
And was a great clerk at Penney's. Larry had a knee replacement last week. So sorry we couldn't make the showing. You have our sympathy. Larry and Judy Koebcke

Larry and Judy Koebcke - December 13, 2016 at 05:39 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Doris Louise Eldridge.



December 12, 2016 at 04:34 PM

JH

“ Janice Hopkins-Malchow lit a candle in memory of Doris Louise Eldridge



Janice Hopkins-Malchow - December 11, 2016 at 06:07 PM

JL

“ Jim & Dorrie Lefler lit a candle in memory of Doris Louise Eldridge



Jim & Dorrie Lefler - December 08, 2016 at 08:31 PM

HP

“ To Don, Jill, Diane and their families, we are sorry to hear about Doris's passing. She was a long time neighbor here in the Houston addition and always had a smile on her face. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time.

Roger and Helen Pettet

Helen Pettet - December 08, 2016 at 03:52 PM



Sorry to hear about the passing of Doris. She was a very sweet lady! Enjoyed playing dartball with Doris over the years.

Donna Wetzel - December 09, 2016 at 07:34 AM

KM

She was a sweet and gracious lady.

Kathy Mroczek - December 09, 2016 at 08:26 AM

JC

So sorry to hear about the passing of Doris. She was such a sweet lady.

Jo Ann (Groom) & Alan Cooper - December 09, 2016 at 02:34 PM

JS

Don was remembering back to when they were kids. Doris was 6 years older than Don so when she was interested in boys, he was still playing cowboys. We recently visited her at Francesville and I enjoyed listened by to them share memories of their time together in Remington.

Judy Smith - December 11, 2016 at 12:36 AM

KE

Dear Diane and Jill, So sorry to hear of your mothers passing. We wanted to make it to Jackson's but due to work were unable. Sending HUGS to you all. So many memories with your family. We would run into your mom at the grocery store often and got to chat with her. We'll miss seeing her. Our thoughts and prayers are with you . Karla and Mike Eshleman

Karla and Mike Eshleman - December 14, 2016 at 08:16 PM

JD

To all of those who shared their thoughts, pictures, and sent flowers, my sister Diana, Mom's brother Uncle Don, and I wish to send a warm heartfelt Thank You. It means very much to us!

Jill Denton - December 16, 2016 at 03:12 PM

PG

*Sorry to hear about your mother & sister. I always enjoyed visiting with Doris when I saw her at Devons eating or in town shopping. I missed seeing in the paper. Prayers for your family.
Peggy Rodibaugh Goodman*

Peggy Rodibaugh Goodman - December 19, 2016 at 08:47 AM