



Diann M Bennett

December 7, 1928 - March 5, 2023

Diann Marie Bennett, 94, of Petersburg Illinois, passed away Sunday March 5, 2023, at Springfield

Memorial Hospital in the company of her children.

Diann was born December 7, 1928, in Bennington, Kansas, the child of George S. and Marian E. Davis.

She graduated from Wamego High School and Kansas State College in Manhattan, Kansas with High Honors.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her sister, Alice Hartig, cousin, James Chaffee, and son,

Stuart Bennett. She is survived by her children Liane Hammer (Greg), Harold Bennett (Gaylene), Susan

Wilde (Dayton), and Karen Higginbotham (David), her grandchildren Tavelle Hammer (Shirley), Shalika

Hart, Zein Hammer, Erin Bennett (Danny), Elliot Bennett, Sami Quinn (Dominick), Benjamin

Wilde(Jordan), Martha Wilde, Caitlyn Higginbotham, Joseph Higginbotham, 6 great grandchildren, as

well as several nieces, and nephews.

Diann taught high school mathematics prior to moving to Illinois and raising her family. She was a

beloved member of the Petersburg United Methodist Church and served in

numerous local organizations including the DAR, Petersburg Town and County Women's club, Cub scouts, Brownies, New Salem Shooting Stars, and United Methodist Women. As her children began to graduate, she returned to school in her 50s at Lincoln Land Community College. With her new computer skills, she set up accounting systems as the bookkeeper for R&H Home Supply office, and finally retired at age 91.

Throughout her life she enjoyed visitors, opening her home to all, playing cards, growing and arranging flowers, swimming, reading, raising cats, tutoring, and visiting her family far and near.

Her positive energy, giving heart, humor, and sense of adventure will be greatly missed by friends and family alike. Her legacy will remain in the lives she has touched over the years.

Mom, we will miss your unconditional love, ready laughter, sage advice, listening ear, love of life, and sweet smile. You are and will continue to be much loved.

The Celebration of life will be on April 22nd at 3:00 PM at the Petersburg United Methodist Church. Memorials may be made to Petersburg United Methodist Church, UGA Fisheries Society Student Travel Fund, or charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR **22**. 3:00 PM (CT)

Petersburg United Methodist Church
221 W. Jackson
Petersburg, IL 62675
(217) 632-7689

Tribute Wall

LM

“ Love, Cheryl Mathews and Martha McDysan purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Diann M Bennett.



Love, Cheryl Mathews and Martha McDysan - April 17, 2023
at 10:03 AM

RP

“ Ms. Bennett was my math tutor in high school and she was so incredibly kind and patient and always explained everything in a way that made it understandable to me. I would not have made it through without her and I have always been so very grateful for her! She was a tremendous blessing to me! Heaven must have needed a math teacher. Sending my deepest sympathies to her family.
Rebecca Magee Pluta

Rebecca Magee Pluta - March 20, 2023 at 03:30 PM

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“ TERNI HINRICHS lit a candle in memory of Diann M Bennett



TERNI HINRICHS - March 07, 2023 at 01:03 PM

LH

“ *Larry And Mary Hundt sent a virtual gift in memory of Diann M Bennett*



Larry and Mary Hundt - March 07, 2023 at 08:45 AM

LE

“ *Leslie Esslinger lit a candle in memory of Diann M Bennett*



Leslie Esslinger - March 06, 2023 at 06:53 PM