



Dorothy Swaar

October 8, 1924 - April 25, 2017

Dorothy Swaar, 92, of Havana died Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 11:40 p.m. at Havana Healthcare Center. Mrs. Swaar was born on October 8, 1926 in Iroquois County, IL to Frank and Alta Scribner Allen on October 8, 1924. She married Harlan Kreiling in 1950. He died in 1987. In 1989 she married Mac Swaar. He died in 1997.

Mrs. Swaar was a business teacher at Havana High School for 32 years. She held a Bachelor's degree from ISU and a Master's degree from NIU. She was a member of Havana United Methodist Church, Havana Women's Club, Illinois and Mason County Retired Teacher's Association, Women in Networking, and American Legion Auxiliary.

Survivors includes 3 step-children, Anna Marie Behrends of Mason City, IL, Robert Swaar of Greenview, IL, and John Swaar of Shelbyville, IL; two cousins, Linda Lafferty and Sarah High, both of Springfield, IL. She is preceded in death by her parents, two husbands, sister Eleanor Allen, and step son William Swaar.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A memorial service will be held at Havana United Methodist Church on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at 11:00 AM. Pastor Jame Hahs will officiate. .

Memorials may be made to Mason District Hospital, Havana Park District, or Havana United Methodist Church. Online condolences can be made at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home of Havana is in charge of the arrangements.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church - Havana
101 S. Broadway
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-4725

Tribute Wall



“ *Dorothy Swaar*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *We were so sorry to hear of Dorothy's passing. We always enjoyed seeing her at family gatherings. She was a beautiful person, inside and out.*

(Pearl, Paul Rogers and Paula Rogers & Ron Klass)

Paula Rogers - May 20, 2017 at 08:48 PM



“ *Dorothy was my first client when I got out of Beauty School in 1975 we became close friends as was her husband Harlan Krieling . We did so many things together and had so many laughs. I stayed in touch with her after I moved to Calif. When I would come home for a visit my family knew that I would spend the day with her, and we would get out of town and as she said would gad about. about twelve yrs. ago she and sister Elanor took a Elder Hostel trip out here in Calif. and when they got to San Fran I drove down to meet them and we went out to dinner on the wharf she said never in a million years did she think we would be where we were. Two yrs .ago She and my Mom came out to visit me and I got to show her around Sacramento and introduce them to clients and friends when I had a dinner party that was a special nite. Dorothy was a very special friend to me as I told her often and that love a friendship was returned I will miss her so very much, but when I think back on times we had I smile and am grateful that all those years ago we connected and stayed connected. I love you Dorothy forever . always your friend Mitch Conway*

Mitch Conway - May 09, 2017 at 05:05 PM

GM

“ *What a smart, classy lady Dorothy was. May you Rest in Peace!!!*

Gina Meyer

Gina Meyer - May 03, 2017 at 09:06 AM

BK

“ *Bethany (Potts) Keeler lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Swaar*



Bethany (Potts) Keeler - May 01, 2017 at 01:15 PM

AM

“ *Alice Prettyman Miller lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Swaar*



Alice Prettyman Miller - April 29, 2017 at 07:17 PM

SB

“ *Dorothy has been a valued client of mine for more than 35 years, first at Commercial National Bank of Peoria, and most recently with Soy Capital Ag Services. She will be missed. My sympathies to her family and to those that were close to her.*

Steve Burrow - April 29, 2017 at 12:07 PM

JG

“ *Judi Griffin lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Swaar*



Judi Griffin - April 28, 2017 at 10:19 PM

MP

“ *Mary Potts lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Swaar*



Mary Potts - April 28, 2017 at 07:45 AM

CG

“ *Dorothy was my shorthand and typing teacher in high school. She was an excellent teacher. She always attended our class reunions and I told her I still could write shorthand whenever I needed to get something down in a hurry. We, the class of 1952 will miss her at our class reunions. We will remember her at our 65th class reunion this year. Our sympathy goes out to her family.*



Carolyn Trimpe Gaines - April 27, 2017 at 09:20 PM

CG

“ Dorothy was my shorthand and typing teacher in high school. She was an excellent teacher and I told her when she attended one of our class reunions that I still can do shorthand whenever I need to get something down in a hurry. We , the Class of 1952 always loved when she would attend our class reunion. My sympathy goes out to her family. We will remember her at our 65th class reunion this year
Carolyn Trimpe Gaines.

Carolyn Trimpe Gaines - April 27, 2017 at 08:59 PM

SB

“ Good bye Dot...glad we had a chance to catch up a few months ago. Was honored to celebrate your Teacher of the Year award a few years back. You made a difference in so many lives. May you Rest In Peace!

Steve Blessman - April 27, 2017 at 07:10 PM

KN

“ Kris Nuding lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Swaar



Kris Nuding - April 27, 2017 at 01:59 PM

LH

“ Laurie Hume lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Swaar



Laurie Hume - April 27, 2017 at 12:46 PM

JC

“ *Julitta Carpenter lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Swaar*



Julitta Carpenter - April 27, 2017 at 10:33 AM

CM

“ *Oh, what a teacher Mrs. Swaar was! She taught me typing and shorthand. And I got A's in her classes! She didn't put up with anything. She was also my mother's shorthand teacher when mom was in HS. What memories! My condolences to her family.*



Cheri (Wilcoxen) Muller - April 27, 2017 at 09:41 AM

SS

“ *She will be missed such a nice lady.*



Susan Showalter - April 27, 2017 at 09:11 AM

RK

“ *Richard Kahn lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Swaar*



Richard Kahn - April 27, 2017 at 09:00 AM

RK

Sorry to hear of Dorothy's passing...She was a respected teacher (I had her for typing at HHS)....tough but she always made us do our best.....although I always thought of her as Mrs Kreiling....it was always a pleasure to run into her over the years....such a nice lady and friend. She will be missed....My condolences to her family on your loss.

Richard Kahn - April 27, 2017 at 09:03 AM

GF

“ *Gitana Fletcher lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Swaar*



Gitana Fletcher - April 27, 2017 at 08:38 AM

BM

“ *Becky Morgan lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Swaar*



Becky Morgan - April 27, 2017 at 07:49 AM

LS

“ *Luetta Vaughn Snyder lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Swaar*



Luetta Vaughn Snyder - April 27, 2017 at 07:34 AM

LC

“ *Lanette Crum lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Swaar*



Lanette Crum - April 26, 2017 at 04:28 PM

NE

“ *Nancy Elliott lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Swaar*



Nancy Elliott - April 26, 2017 at 03:14 PM

LS

“ *LORI WRIGHT(former Student) lit a candle in memory of Dorothy Swaar*



LORI WRIGHT(former student) - April 26, 2017 at 03:08 PM

WH

I'll always remember mrs swarr as my typing teacher in high school, she will be missed. William hughes

william hughes - April 26, 2017 at 04:28 PM