



Judith Ann Hilst

January 22, 1934 - May 19, 2016

Judith Ann (Konneker) Hilst, 82, of Normal passed away unexpectedly of natural causes on Thursday, May 19, 2016 at her residence at the Meadows at Mercy Creek. Maas-Hurley Funeral Home in Manito is in charge of arrangements.

Her funeral will be at 1 pm Saturday, May 28th at the Community United Methodist Church in Manito, IL, with the Rev. Daniel Jassman officiating. Visitation will be at the church one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow in Meadow Lawn Cemetery. If you will be attending the funeral, you can help honor Judith's memory by wearing purple, her favorite color. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Illinois 4-H House Association, Mason Hospital Auxiliary, or Manito Historical Society. To leave an online condolence go to www.hurleyfh.com.

Judith was born on January 22, 1934, to Stanley O. and Julia A. (Barrick) Konneker in Carlinville, Illinois.

On June 29, 1958, Judith married Darrel W. Hilst in Carlinville, who preceded her in death on July 29, 2005. Her parents and one brother, Stanley Barrick Konneker, also preceded her in death.

Judith and Darrel had 3 children: Stanley W. (Pilar) Hilst of Clive, Iowa;

Doretta C. (Richard) Irwin of Bloomington; and Yvonne M. Hilst of Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. Judith loved and enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren: Vanessa and Enrique Hilst and Mary Judith, Julia, and Michele Irwin. Judith is also survived by four siblings-- Carolyn (James) Hallbauer, Carlinville; Martha Jean McCormack, O'Fallon, MO; Gregory Konneker, Winchester, England; and Douglas Konneker, Stanton, CA. Judith was also blessed with 16 nieces and nephews.

Judith lived in Carlinville until she left for college at the University of Illinois, Urbana. She was proud to have been schooled in a one room school house and loved to share stories about those days. Most of her time in Carlinville was spent on a dairy farm where she learned the importance of hard work. She was active in 4-H, Girl Scouts, lifeguarding, and many other extra-curricular activities at their church and school. Judith had been a high school business education (shorthand and typing) teacher and librarian. After her first year of teaching at Forman High School in Manito, Judith went to Ireland with the International Farm Youth Exchange (IFYE). After returning to the U.S., she taught briefly at Leyden High School before returning to Forman. Her career in public education was also in the Balyki and Easton school districts.

Later Judith taught adult education (GED and ABE). Judith performed in a number of community theater plays, enjoyed genealogy, was an accomplished cook, excellent seamstress, loved growing roses, and reading. She and Darrel were hosts to many international visitors, including their future daughter-in-law. Judith was a life-long member of the United Methodist Church. She was also active as "the sheriff" of the Bloomington, IL Golden K Kiwanis Club. Judith took pride in always being able to touch her toes with little effort.

The family encourages you to share your pictures and memories of Judith with the family: doretta88rich@gmail.com

Cemetery Details

Meadow Lawn Cemetery

Manito, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 28. 12:00 PM (CT)

Manito Community Methodist Church - Manito
109 S. Washington
Manito, IL 61546
(309) 968-6226

Funeral

MAY 28. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Judith Ann Hilst*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *I use to work for your dad at the bank and got to know your folks. They were so encouraging me to start my own business and helped me to take one of my first steps to have my own business. Two of the best people I have known.*

BARB Specketer - June 02, 2016 at 10:20 AM



“ *Please accept my sincere sympathy about Judy. I knew her quite well at 4-H House.
Muriel Faw McKee, Class of 1953*

Muriel McKee - May 30, 2016 at 06:36 AM



“ *Yvonne, so sorry for your loss. Your mom was always so nice to me. My prayers are with you and your family. May you be blessed with peace and comfort in the memories you carry with you.
Peggy Goodwin*

peggy goodwin - May 29, 2016 at 02:40 PM

KS

“ Prayers for the day. Just meeting her a couple times and seeing her pictures gives one a sense of what a lovely lady she was. You will always have fond memories of her and that is so important. She is happy with the Lord and glad to be in his presence. He will heal the broken hearted.

Karen Summerell - May 28, 2016 at 09:51 AM

CS

“ *BALYKI high school , a 1981 graduate, Craig Schaeffer*



Craig Schaeffer - May 27, 2016 at 09:11 PM

DC

“ *Thoughts and prayers with your family at this time.*

Daniele Chartraw - May 27, 2016 at 12:00 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Judith Ann Hilst.*



May 26, 2016 at 01:36 PM

AB

“ Judith was a member of Young At Heartland, a senior acting troupe, in 2007. I enjoyed having her in our troupe. We continued to visit at shows at Heartland Theatre.

Ann B. White



Ann B.White - May 25, 2016 at 05:32 PM

JP

“ Fond memories of Judith from Havana First United Methodist Church and hearing stories of how she enjoyed her family and spending time with her roses.

Julia Pryor - May 25, 2016 at 03:31 PM

DS

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the Hilst family at this time of bereavement. I (Pat) worked with Judith for some time at the Lawrence Adult Center in Springfield in the Via Literacy Program. She was always so kind and easy to work with and very thoughtful. Judith even brought flowers to give to our daughter when Krystal was in a play at Springfield Theatre Guild. I always think of Judith whenever we are over in Havana, knowing that she lived there. Again, we are so sorry for your loss. Judith will be remembered by anyone who knew her and especially the Srinier family.



*Sincere sympathy, love and prayers,
Dulany and Pat Srinier and family*

Dulany and Pat Srinier - May 25, 2016 at 12:57 PM

EJ

“ *Evan and I came to Manito in 1961 to teach at Forman High School and were surprised and happy to find another "Carlinville kid" living in the area. We enjoyed Judy and Darrell at the many activities during our five years in Manito. She was a great asset to Mason County!*



Evan and Kay Jackson

Evan and Kay Jackson - May 25, 2016 at 09:37 AM

RC

“ *Richard And Lanette Crum lit a candle in memory of Judith Ann Hilst*



Richard and Lanette Crum - May 25, 2016 at 09:22 AM

AT

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you in time of loss. I remember seeing her at church and Sunday School every week. She will be missed.*

Alma and Dick Tomlin

Alma Tomlin - May 25, 2016 at 07:53 AM

GK

“Gregory Konneker lit a candle in memory of Judith Ann Hilst



Gregory Konneker - May 25, 2016 at 05:01 AM

GK

Tales of her early travels to Ireland planted the seeds of my desire to travel and see the world outside the USA. She will be missed.

Gregory Konneker - May 25, 2016 at 05:03 AM

FS

Some of our memories of Judy include: PARENTS of students attending Havana School District together, COLLEAGUES at Balyki School District, WELL-WISHERS during her bout with cancer, and now FRIENDS praying for her memories to sustain her family during their time of sorrow.

Sincere Sympathy, Fred and Kay Sherwood

Fred and Kay Sherwood - May 25, 2016 at 10:12 AM

NK

I remember Judy very well from our grade school days at Honey Point school, a one room country school in Macoupin County, IL. We lived on neighboring farms and walked to school together with other kids. We belonged to the Sunnyside of Honey Point 4-H club. I have fond memories of those days. The Konnekers were good to me. As my mother didn't drive, they sometimes took me to 4-H meetings, etc. My sympathy goes out to her family and her brothers and sisters. I know she will be missed. Farewell to a dear friend.
Norma Klaus Keagy .

Norma Klaus Keagy - May 25, 2016 at 01:22 PM



Thank you for sharing your memories ❤️

Vanessa Hilst Robles - May 26, 2016 at 03:42 PM

CC

we are very sad to hear of Judy's passing. our prayers and sympathy to all who loved Judy.

Cathy Canterbury - May 27, 2016 at 11:13 PM



“ *Robert Specketer lit a candle in memory of Judith Ann Hilst*



Robert Specketer - May 24, 2016 at 09:36 PM