



Catherine A. Woodard

January 5, 1926 - August 8, 2017

Catherine Ann “Kaye” Woodard, 91, of DeKalb, IL, formerly of Aurora, passed away Tuesday, August 8, 2017 at DeKalb County Rehab & Nursing Center. She was born January 5, 1926 in Aurora, the daughter of Albert and Anna Gette. Catherine was a graduate of Madonna High School and attended a secretarial school in Chicago while working at Elgin Watch. She also took many courses at Waubensee Community College after her children were married. She married Ralph J. Woodard on June 26, 1946. Catherine was always involved in St. Peter Grade School where her children LaVerne and Karen attended. As her children got older she went to work for Anchor Brush Company in Montgomery, and also worked at Brown’s Flowers before she retired. She was a wonderful seamstress and made many of Karen’s clothes. Catherine continued to sew for others, doing alterations as well as bridesmaid dresses for many weddings. Kaye loved to sing and enjoyed singing harmony with her sister Mary, and singing hymns at church. She was very good with a crochet hook and made baby blankets for her own grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchild, as well as many of her great nieces and nephews. As she got older she continued to crochet and made potholders, dish cloths and “scrubbies” by the hundreds. She was never one to sit idle, so if she wasn’t busy with her hands she was reading or praying.

Catherine was a member of the Ladies of the Moose Chapter 83 and the Altar and Rosary Sodality of Blessed Sacrament Church.

Kaye is survived by her two children, LaVerne (Jane) Woodard of Kingman, AZ and Karen (Dennis) Kahl of DeKalb; eight grandchildren: Yvette, TY, Lane (Jennifer), Christopher (Hayley) and Spencer Woodard all of CA, Grant (Cindy) Kahl of Cortland, IL, Brandon (Dana) Kahl of Bozeman, MT and Tiffany Kahl (Lori Angstadt) of Temple, PA; five great grandchildren, Trevor, Kailyn and Brock Kahl of Cortland, Brooke Kahl of Montana and Stanley Woodard of CA; her great great grandson, Leo Meyers of DeKalb; her brother, Joseph Gette of Aurora; her sister, Barbara Rivera of Aurora; and two sisters-in-law, Anne Gette and Ceil Woodard. Kaye also leaves many special nieces, nephews and friends that she enjoyed countless hours of playing cards and games with at Constitution House, where she lived for 22 years after the death of her beloved "Woody". She moved to Sycamore in March of 2014 after a fall left her unable to live on her own.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband, Ralph J. "Woody" Woodard in 1986; two grandchildren, Troy and Nicole Woodard; her parents, Albert and Anna (Schaefer) Gette; her infant brother, Stephen, and brothers, Adam, Albert and Phillip Gette; her sisters, Margaret Kies, Mary Perkins Richtman and Rose Hettinger; two sisters-in-law, Marjorie Gette and Kathryn Gette; and five brothers-in-law, Laverne Kies, John Perkins, John Hettinger, Noel Rivera and Melvin Woodard.

A memorial visitation will be held Friday, August 25, 2017 from 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM at Blessed Sacrament Church, 801 W. Oak Street, North Aurora, IL 60542. A concelebrated Memorial Mass will be held at 10:00 AM with Fr. Selvaraj Lucas and Fr. Bernard Schaefer, O.S.B., who is a cousin of Catherine, officiating. Catherine's nephew, Deacon Russell Woodard, will also be part of the funeral service. Inurnment will follow at Marywood Cemetery. Funeral arrangements are being handled by THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 N. Lake Street, Aurora, IL 60506. (630) 631-5500.

Please visit our interactive website at www.daleidenmortuary.com where you may sign the guest book or leave condolences for Catherine's family.

Cemetery Details

Marywood Cemetery

Church Road
aurora, IL

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

AUG 25. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Blessed Sacrament Church
801 West Oak Street
North Aurora, IL 60542

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Tribute Wall

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“ My thoughts and prayer go out to Catherine Woodard family, may you find peace during this difficult time. God has open his arms to welcomed home the most greatest women in the world, and her name is Katchie! I met Katchie when I worked at Anchor Brush back in 1978. Katchie and I clicked the moment we meet. I was young and just married, and so she took me under her wing and taught me lots of thing about life. I will always be grateful to her. I will never forget "Katchie" she will always be in my mind and heart.

Susie Gutierrez

Susie - August 23, 2017 at 10:54 PM

TK

“ As a old neighbor and classmate of Karen my prayers are with the entire family with the passing of Catherine. My their memories many and forever.

Tom Kreminski - August 23, 2017 at 09:11 PM

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“ My sympathy to the family of Kaye who was a long time friend of mine. She will be forever in my prayers. God bless all of you.

Imelda (Mikus) Johnson

Imelda Johnson - August 23, 2017 at 04:42 PM

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“ Dear Family of Catherine. Please accept our sincere condolences on the loss of Catherine. Our prayers are with Catherine and all of you during this difficult time. Catherine is remembered in our daily family prayers, as well as in my own personal intentions at Mass and Adoration. Our son, Noah, and daughter, Miranda, visited with Catherine, usually monthly, as part of the St. Mary, DeKalb teen youth group. They both enjoyed visiting with Catherine, and prayed the rosary with her on more than one occasion. :) Miranda was especially fond of Catherine, visiting, making cards, drawings, and even a painting just this Summer. She was so sorry to miss visiting with Catherine this month, as she was out of town. In her place, though, I (Juli) was able to meet Catherine, whom I had heard so much about for so long, for the first time. I thoroughly enjoyed meeting her, she is a beautiful soul. Noah & Miranda tried to visit Catherine on 8/9, only to find her not there, and of course, no information could be given. We feel blessed to have found her obituary through Daleiden online. We are saddened by her passing, and hope to attend her services. May God bless Catherine and all the family. The Smith Family - Steve, Juli, Noah, Miranda, Isaiah & Joshua

Juli Smith - August 14, 2017 at 02:44 PM