Marlene (Reiners) Bailey

March 23, 1936 ~ March 31, 2020 (age 84)



Marlene Bailey, 84, of Hoopeston, passed away at 7:58 p.m. Tuesday, March 31, 2020, at her home. Marlene was born on March 23, 1936, in Lincoln, Illinois, the daughter of William and Mildred (Ridings) Reiners. She married Dale Orlando Bailey on October 4, 1958, in Emden, Illinois. He preceded her in death on January 22, 1998. She is survived by four sons- Todd (Pat) Bailey of Hoopeston, Jim (Michelle) Bailey of Hoopeston, Mike (Andrea) Bailey of Monticello and Tom (Tess) Bailey of Monticello; eight grandchildren; and one great- grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and sister- Mary Detjen. Marlene graduated from Hartsburg-Emden High School, in 1954. She worked at K's Merchandise, in Danville, for 26 years, where she enjoyed selling jewelry in the jewelry department, until the store closed. She was a member of the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, in Hoopeston. Marlene loved animals, especially her beloved dog Katie and was a big supporter of the ASPCA, for over 20 years. In her younger years, she was very involved in the Little League. Marlene was an avid Chicago Cubs fan and loved to travel, especially through Europe. She was so proud of her four boys and all they have accomplished. Due to the current health concerns private family services will be held with a celebration of life service at a later date. She will be laid to rest in Floral Hill Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. The family has entrusted the Blurton Funeral Home to assist them in honoring Marlene's life. Memories or condolences may be shared with the family on her everlasting memorial page at: www.BlurtonFuneralHomes.com.