



Margaret A. Gooding

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Decatur - Margaret A. Gooding, 97, of Decatur, IL, passed away Saturday, March 7, 2020, in her home.

Margaret was born August 19, 1922, in Detroit, MI, the daughter of John Kovorik and Agnes E. (Burns) Smith. A U.S. Marine veteran of the WWII, Margaret was a member of St. Thomas The Apostle Catholic Church. She worked for the Decatur Public School system for many years before retiring and was a volunteer at the DMH Auxiliary Thrift Shop. Margaret married Robert Lee Gooding on December 29, 1944 and he preceded her in death on July 30, 1999. Also preceding her in death were her parents; sons: Michael P. and Brian P; siblings: Evelyn McDonald, Charles Smith, Joseph Smith, Edward Smith; son-in-law, Ron Wilson, and grandson, Christopher Wilson.

Margaret is survived by her children: Kathleen M. Wilson of Chesterfield, MO, Robert Lawrence "Larry" (Linda Fultz) Gooding of Decatur, Keith C. (Julie Young) Gooding of Warrensburg, Mark W. (Rhonda) Gooding of Decatur, and Lori L. Gooding of Indianapolis, IN; eight grandchildren: nine great grandchildren; one great-great grandson; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Margaret was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and great-great grandmother who will be greatly missed.

Visitation will be Friday, March 13, 2020, from 5 to 7 pm at the Moran & Goebel Funeral Home; vigil prayer service will be at 4:30 pm. Mass of Christian Burial will be 10 am, Saturday, March 14, 2020, at St. Thomas The Apostle Catholic Church; visitation one hour prior in the church. Burial with military rites will take place in East Lawn Memorial Gardens, Bloomington, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorial may be made to American Cancer Society, American Heart Association, American Lung Society, or Alzheimer's Association.

Arrangements by Moran & Goebel Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2801 N. Monroe St., Decatur, IL 62526. Condolences and memories may be shared at www.moranandgoebel.com.



Events

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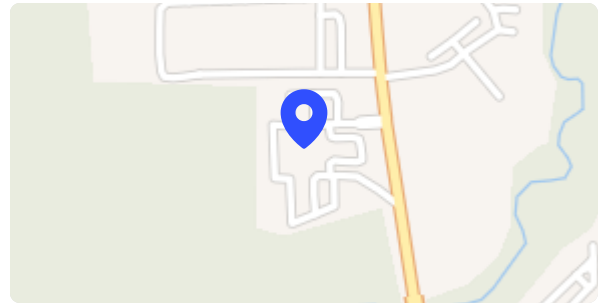
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Vigil Prayer Service

Friday, March 13, 2020

4:30 PM CT

Moran & Goebel Funeral Home
2801 North Monroe Street, Decatur IL 62526

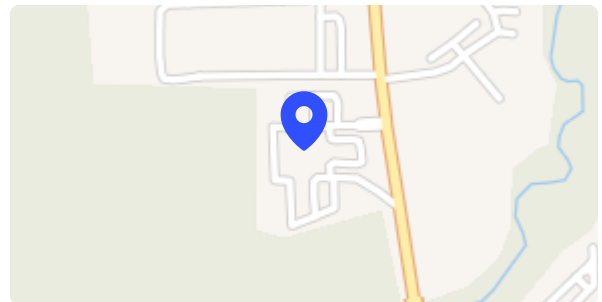


Visitation

Friday, March 13, 2020

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT

Moran & Goebel Funeral Home
2801 North Monroe Street, Decatur IL 62526

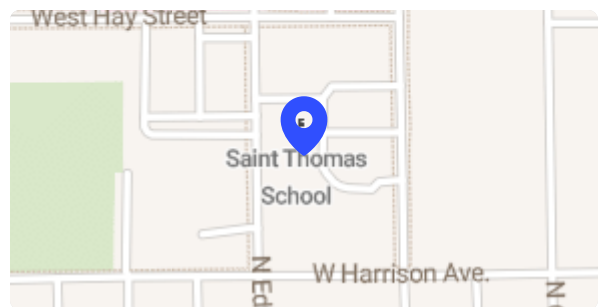


Mass of Christian Burial

Saturday, March 14, 2020

10:00 AM CT

St. Thomas The Apostle Catholic Church
2160 N. Edward, Decatur IL 62526

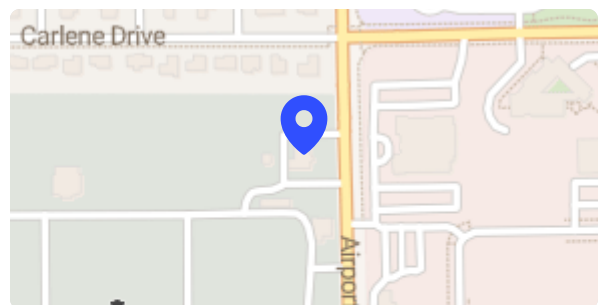


Burial

Saturday, March 14, 2020

12:30 PM CT

East Lawn Cemetery
1102 Airport Road, Bloomington IL 61704





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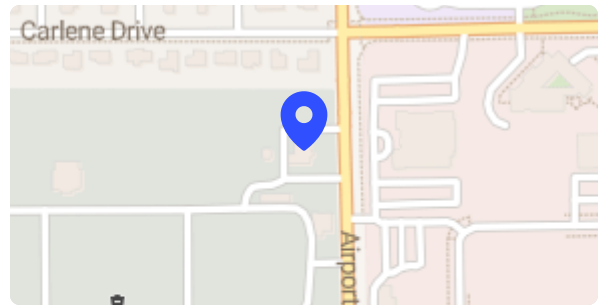
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Cemetery Details



East Lawn Cemetery

1102 Airport Road, Bloomington IL 61704





Tribute Wall

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Jim Gandy lit a candle in honor of Margaret.

Such good memories of Margaret and Bob and the family all the years I came by with the mail on W. Cushing Street. Especially one Christmas time when all the family was home together. Margaret invited me in to have lunch with the family. Such a wonderful time...lots of laughs! and I expanded my lunchtime that day! (Shhhhh!) Margaret was such a wonderful person and always aware and reaching out to the needs of others. We were all better because of her. We are very sorry we didn't know of her passing earlier. Our hearts and prayers are with all of you. Jim Gandy (the Mailman) and his wife, Judy.



March 19 at 7:27 AM



Cathy Murphy-McGarry posted:

Fond memories of the Gooding family while growing up in Decatur. My thoughts and prayers are with your family during this time.-Cathy Murphy

March 12 at 4:28 PM



Carol Rocke posted:

I remember the great times all of us had growing up in Normal. Your mother was always so full of fun. I can still hear her voice calling you in for dinner or just time to come home. Funny how years later both families eventually ended up in Decatur. Kathy, it's been too many years since we last connected. Lots of fond memories of your mom and dad. All of you have my deepest sympathy.
Carol Rocke

March 12 at 5:02 AM



Becky Patton posted:

Margaret was a great friend to my mother and father, and such an all-around kind and loving person. My condolences to her family.Becky Patton

March 11 at 3:08 PM



With Loving Support, Chris And Sara Myrvold sent a Days of Sunshine Bouquet to the Gooding family.



March 11 at 11:32 AM



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CI

Crystal Ilsley posted:

Mrs. Gooding was one of the cooks at Pershing School when I went there back in the 60's. She was so nice to all of us and I loved seeing her everyday at lunch time. She would always smile and say hello.

March 11 at 10:40 AM



Anonymous sent a Small Garden Dish to the Gooding family.



March 11 at 8:09 AM



Anonymous sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Gooding family.



March 11 at 8:04 AM



Anonymous sent a Fairest of All to the Gooding family.



March 11 at 4:13 AM

MH

Mary Ann Hunt posted:

Greatest Godmother anyone could have. Ag, rest in the hands of the Lord. Mary Ann Hunt "Stick"

March 11 at 3:28 AM

JS

Jim Skow lit a candle in honor of Margaret.



March 10 at 7:38 PM



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JH

Jill Hughes sent a virtual gift in honor of Margaret.

"Mrs. G" was a true inspiration from the "Greatest Generation ". She loved her family unconditionally. She even loved her children's friends. I am so grateful for that . We are so blessed to have had Mrs. Gooding in our lives. Sending love and prayers to The Gooding Family. She leaves behind a wonderful legacy. We love you.
Jill and Ric Hughes

March 10 at 4:26 PM



RW

Robbie Walker lit a candle in honor of Margaret.

I knew mrs. gooding my whole life , she was the kindest , nicest person and I enjoyed talking to her .she will be truly missed . My prayers are with all of you.
Robbie walker

March 10 at 1:19 PM



CT

Christine Torry posted:

Margaret always had a smile on her face and a kind word. I loved listening to her stories of her kids, grandkids and then great grandkids. She was so proud of each and everyone of you and loved you unconditionally. I was blessed to know her. My prayers for you all. Chris Torry

March 8 at 5:43 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Margaret by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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