



Jeannette Gardner

January 17, 1917 - December 8, 2014

Jeannette Gardner, age 97, was born on Jan. 17, 1917 at Hastings, Nebraska to Archie B. Hopper and Grace Bigelow Hopper. She is a graduate of Northwestern University (1938) with a B.S. in English and a Minor in Music. Jeannette was a member of the A Cappella Choir and Alpha Chi Omega Sorority. She taught English and Music at Dix, NE and at Richmond, IL schools. As an active member of the Community Church of Richmond (United Church of Christ) she directed the senior choir for over 30 years and sang for countless weddings and funerals. She also served as a piano accompanist at Richmond High School. Jeannette was a member of McHenry County Homemakers, and was on the county board for two terms.

Jeannette married Robert W. Gardner in 1941 in Hastings, NE and is survived by three daughters, Nancy Cole [Clayton] Centennial, CO, Jane Fry [Robert] Omaha, NE, and Ellen Ornberg [Eric] Westfir, OR, daughter-in-law Cindy Gardner, Solon Mills, IL, and Mary Ann Gardner, University Park, MD; thirteen grandchildren: Matthew Gardner, Sarah DeBelen, Adam Gardner, Ryan Gardner, Nathan Gardner, Jennifer Loh, Julie Cole, Brian Cole, Kathy Fry, Greg Fry, Ben Fry, Anders Ornberg, Chad Ornberg and twenty-two great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by son David Gardner, son Bruce Gardner, and husband Robert Gardner.

Memorials may be made to Richmond Community Church, P.O. Box 246, Richmond, IL 60071; Journey Care Hospice, 405 Lake Zurich Road, Barrington, IL 60010; and/or Adult & Child Therapy Services, 708 Washington

St., Woodstock, IL 60098. Special thanks to Jeannette's caregivers, Sharon Sciortino and Katie Bigsby.

Memorial Visitation will be on Friday, December 12th from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Ehorn-Adams Funeral Home in Richmond, IL. A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, December 13th at 11:00 a.m. at the Community Church of Richmond.

Cemetery Details

North Solon Cemetery

North Solon Road
Solon Mills, IL 60071

Previous Events

Memorial visitation

DEC 12. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Ehorn-Adams Funeral Home (Richmond)
10011 N Main St
PO Box 375
Richmond, IL 60071
(815) 678-7311
bruce@ehornadams.com
<http://www.ehornadams.com>

Memorial Service

DEC 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

Community Church of Richmond
5714 Broadway St.
PO Box 246
Richmond, IL 60071
(815) 678-6521
office@richmonducc.org
<https://www.richmonducc.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Jeannette Gardner*

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“ *God bless her! She was an awesome musician and accompanist. My fondest memories of high school are the two musicals in which I played and the music performed by Ms. Gardner. May she rest in peace, comfortable knowing how much joy she brought into so many lives. - Jim Gram, RBCHS class of '73*

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“ *Jeanette Gardner was a beautiful soul, and a woman I admired. Solon Mills will never be the same.*

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“ *Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of Jeannette Gardner.*



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