



Gertrude D. "Trudy" Aten

November 11, 1925 - November 28, 2013

Gertrude D. "Trudy" Aten, 88, passed away on Thursday, Nov. 28, 2013 at Lake Forest Place. She was born Nov. 11, 1925 in Oskaloosa, IA to Dr. Dell L. and Mrs. Jennie (nee McArthur) Grothaus, their only child and raised in the Doctor's office/home in Delta, IA. She graduated in Science and Home Economics and did graduate studies at the University of Iowa. She married John E. Aten, her childhood friend, in Delta, IA and moved with him to Libertyville in 1950, where they lived for 48 years before moving to Lake Forest Place in 1998. They were blessed with a son, John Dell Aten, daughter-in-law, Jane Elizabeth (nee Bolin) Aten, two grand-daughters, Kathleen Dell Aten, and Jennie Elizabeth Aten, all of Libertyville. Trudy loved the times spent with her family as they were very special to her. Gertrude was very active in her church homes. She grew up in the Disciples of Christ Church in Iowa. With her marriage to John, she became Presbyterian, where she was an ordained Elder in the Libertyville USA Presbyterian Church, very active in their Women's Association, Christian Education and established their archives. She became a founding member of the Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Grayslake and also the Circle of Friends. She was a member of PEO, Chapter LL, of Libertyville, Town and Country Women, OES, a Volunteer and Life member of the Condell Hospital Auxiliary, a Charter member of AAUW, former member of the Libertyville Women's Club, a Cub Scout Den Mother and a 4-H Club Leader. Trudy was an avid gardener and lover of flowers and flower arrangements, antique collections and especially

her collection of over 500 santas. Visitation will be from 1:00 p.m. until time of services at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7, 2013 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home Ltd., 120 W. Park Ave. (Route 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.), Libertyville. Interment will be at Lakeside Cemetery. Memorials can be made to Hope Evangelical Presbyterian Church, 32475 N. Allegheny Road, Grayslake, IL 60030 or to the Lakeside Cemetery Restoration Fund. P.O. Box 500, Libertyville, IL 60048. Info: 847-362-3009 or please sign the guest book at www.burnettdane.com.

Tribute Wall

MP

“ Our deepest sympathy Sorry we won't be able to attend the visitation as we will be out-of-town this weekend, but rest assured, she'll be in our prayers.

Mike Perski - April 27, 2018 at 06:12 AM

JS

“ Trudy was a great gal and hard worker. It was a pleasure to know her. I always enjoyed her sense of humor, flower arranging, and delicious goodies. Our prayers and sympathy are with you.

Jan and Jerry Seiler - April 27, 2018 at 06:12 AM

LB

“ Dear John, J.D. and family, So sorry for your loss. Trudy was a loving wife, mother and daughter who gave unconditional Love to everyone she knew. We will cherish all the memories of joy and laughter we shared with her over the many years. Lee&Judy

Lee and Judy Bomgaars - April 27, 2018 at 06:12 AM

RB

“ John and family, I am so very sorry to hear of Trudy's passing. What a delight she was, so gracious and kind! I will always remember our wonderful visits in Hawaii, starting when we met at Straub hospital. May you find comfort in your loss by the memories of her impact on your lives and the knowledge that she has entered into the joy of The Lord. I wish peace to you all.

Ruth Brouwer - April 27, 2018 at 06:12 AM

MC

“ *Dear John
We have missed Trudy at church, and Circle and at PEO. Trudy was always such fun, had great ideas and was willing to help you work at whatever was necessary to get a job done. I always enjoyed being with her! We will miss her. Our love and prayers to all of you.
Don and Mary Carter*

Mary carter - April 27, 2018 at 06:12 AM

BN

“ *Mrs. Aten was like a 2nd mother when I was growing up. We shared life in so many ways. See you in heaven, Mrs. Aten.*

Barbara Noland - April 27, 2018 at 06:12 AM



“ *Our prayers are with you during these days. We've all lost a dear friend and lovely lady.*

Meg and Phil Tomlin

December 06, 2013 at 12:00 AM