



## Irene J. Kruckman

November 4, 1929 - October 4, 2024

Irene Jean Kruckman, 94, passed away on Friday, Oct. 4, 2024 at Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights, IL. She was born Nov. 4, 1929 in Arlington Heights and had been a Libertyville resident for the past 71 years. Irene enjoyed crocheting and had made prayer shawls for her church. She also was the secretary to the principal of Butterfield School in Libertyville for many years.

Surviving are 3 sons, John (Sandra) Kruckman, Jay (Kris) Kruckman and Jeff (Sue) Kruckman; 7 Grandchildren, Mallory, Hanna, Michael, Justin, Carolynne, Leah and Nicole; 9 Great Grandchildren, Nora, Hudson, Lincoln, Evelynne, Sloane, Wesley, Marcus, Jason and Sydney.

She was preceded in death by her husband John “Bud” Kruckman in 2001, by her parents, Ralph and Edna Scharringhausen and sister, Jean Mueller.

Visitation will be from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm Monday, Oct. 7, 2024 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave. (Rt. 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.) Libertyville. Her funeral service will be held at 11:00 am Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2024 at the First Presbyterian Church, 219 W. Maple Ave. Libertyville.

Memorial contributions can be made to the church. Interment will follow at Lakeside Cemetery. Info: 847-362-3009 or please share a memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).



# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 7. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Burnett-Dane Funeral Home  
120 West Park Avenue  
Libertyville, IL 60048  
(847) 362-3009

## Funeral Service

OCT 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church  
219 W. Maple Ave.  
Libertyville, IL 60048  
<http://www.firstpreslibertyville.org>

# Tribute Wall

NB

“ Our heartfelt sympathies to the Kruckman family from The Brashear Family. We recently heard of Irene's passing and are so very sorry. Irene was a lovely person who was included in family events along with the Doescher family. Irene loved to laugh and reminisce about family ancestry and the history of Libertyville. Irene worked with our Mother, Myrle, along with Paul Doescher, We will miss her greatly and think of the fond memories she left with us. God Bless you all.

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**Nancy Brashear** - January 06, 2025 at 01:46 PM

ES

“ With our sympathies John, Jay, Jeff and family. Nobody whoever walked the halls of Butterfield will ever forget her warm presence there.

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**E Sweeney** - November 18, 2024 at 01:27 PM

JW

“ Boys  
I first met you mother when I walked into Butterfield Shool as a very green assistant Princpal. Our friendship and loyalty was ever present and we sure had fun all those years until her retirement. Afterwards luncheons, phone calls, and visits kept the love we had for each other alive.  
Oh so many cherished memories. She will always be in my heart.  
I can truly say there never be another Irene.  
So sorry I was out of town for services  
Joe Wilson

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**joe wilson** - October 07, 2024 at 03:56 PM

BR

“ I sat next to her on the bottom row of the LHS bleachers for so very many Lady Wildcat basketball games. What a wonderful lady. She will be missed.

Betsy Rehm - October 07, 2024 at 11:15 AM

TF

“ The Gratz Family purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Irene J. Kruckman.



The Gratz Family - October 07, 2024 at 10:18 AM

TF

“ The Gratz Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Irene J. Kruckman.

The Gratz Family - October 07, 2024 at 10:18 AM

TF

“ The Daly Family purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Irene J. Kruckman.



The Daly Family - October 06, 2024 at 05:42 PM

TF

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The Daly Family - October 06, 2024 at 05:42 PM

CB

“ Carol B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Irene J. Kruckman.

Carol B. - October 05, 2024 at 09:03 PM

JB

“ I first met Irene when I became the Asst. Principal at Butterfield and for that year, she guided me and we bonded in friendship. Even when I left for Adler's Principalship, Irene and I would still meet for breakfast or lunch and exchange stories about our friends and families. Every year she remembered her friends with birthday cards, phone calls and, at holidays, with her homemade ornaments. She tried to bring joy to everyone she knew. I will surely miss her!

Janet Brownlie - October 05, 2024 at 03:09 PM

CB

*Rest in peace, Irene. We all miss you terribly! You are truly a treasure to have known, and to have been a fellow worker at Butterfield school as a teacher and visiting you at the office to chitchat with and to have fun with bantering with whenever I encountered you. Your gentle, personality, and sweet smile will surely be missed!*

Carol Ann Betlinski - October 05, 2024 at 09:17 PM

CR

“ Irene was a customer where I use to work! She was always such a pleasant person to deal with! I would look forward to talking with her! She will be missed by many!



Charles Rust - October 05, 2024 at 12:35 PM

TS

“ Irene was the glue that held us together at Butterfield School during some interesting times. Long after many teachers were dispersed to other D-70 schools she kept us in contact through Christmas cards and holiday phone calls. She made Christmas ornaments for each of us for years - I still have the little Hershey's kiss one! I will miss her and send sincere condolences to her family.

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**Tom Steffenburg** - October 05, 2024 at 09:29 AM

KG

“ Kathy Hahnfeld Goldsberry, Goddaughter purchased the Fall Fantasia for the family of Irene J. Kruckman.



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**Kathy Hahnfeld Goldsberry, Goddaughter** - October 05, 2024 at 09:15 AM

TF

“ The Brandt Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Irene J. Kruckman.



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**The Brandt Family** - October 04, 2024 at 05:56 PM