



## Mary F. Quednau

January 11, 1921 - August 17, 2018

Mary (nee Francis) Quednau, age 97, passed away Friday, August 17, 2018. Born in 1921 in Oak Park, Illinois, she was an independent soul and city girl at heart. She studied fashion design at the American Academy of Art in Chicago as a young woman, and created wedding gowns and party dresses for her many nieces and friends. After working as a tour guide for a defense plant during World War II, she began a career in the fledgling airline industry. She traveled extensively, visiting Europe, the Bahamas, and other destinations.

In 1958 she married Curtis Quednau. They had two sons, Howard and David, and moved to

Libertyville, Illinois, in 1967. Mary was active at St. Lawrence's Episcopal Church, as well as in

what was then called the Picture Lady program (art appreciation for school children) and with

quilting groups. In later years, she continued to travel, visiting France, England, Scotland,

Ireland, and the Netherlands. A creator of quilts for more than 40 years, she participated in

many exhibitions and her work was displayed at the American Quilter's Society show in

Paducah, Kentucky. Naturally curious, she never stopped learning. She took classes at the

College of Lake County in Grayslake, Illinois, and developed a fascination for auto races, attending the Indianapolis 500 and Formula One events in Monaco and Montreal.

Mary was preceded in death by her husband Curtis and her brother George Francis. She is survived by her sons Howard (Susan Monkmeyer) and David (Lisa Niziolek), and her grandchildren Michael and Rachel.

A visitation will begin at 10:00 a.m. followed by a funeral service at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, August 25, 2018 at St. Lawrence Episcopal Church, 125 W. Church Street, Libertyville, IL. Interment will be at Greenridge Cemetery in Kenosha, WI. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Revive ([revivecenter.org](http://revivecenter.org)) or Lawrence Hall ([lawrencehall.org](http://lawrencehall.org)). For info: 847-362-3009 or share a memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 25. 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Lawrence Episcopal Church  
125 W. Church Street  
Libertyville, IL 60048

## Funeral Service

AUG 25. 11:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Quedno family. .we are neighbors just up the street. .we send our condolences to you on the passing of your Mother. This past weekend we came by the very historical Estate sale at your home and were in awe of Mary's family collection as were all the other participants! From young to old. .all there were enjoying just looking around at the history of it all. Best wishes with great memories to you all :-)  
Susan Mills Barrett

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**Susan Mills Barrett** - February 15, 2019 at 08:04 AM