



Celeste Johnstone

April 2, 1927 - April 23, 2018

Mrs. Celeste Johnstone (née Kearney) of Hinsdale IL, passed away on Monday, April 23, 2018. Celeste was born to parents Edward and Eleanor Kearney (née Downs) on April 02, 1927 in Western Springs, IL. Celeste was the youngest of three girls and was graduated from Nazareth High School in 1945. She met her “honey”, James Johnstone, while ice skating. They married in 1953. The couple spent the majority of their married life living in his home town of Summit, IL. Celeste’s special interests were many but included women’s issues, politics, environmental issues and community service. Her contributions to her communities included: a tree planting initiative, advocacy for stop lights and volunteering with the La Grange Community Nurses Association. Her hobby was traditional rug hooking which combined her love of history with her talent to create something beautiful from nothing. The last of her generation, she is preceded in death by her husband, sisters, Eleanor Kearney and Rita Rucklic, and her parents. She survived by her son Paul Johnstone, daughter-in-law Meriona Campion, daughter Carol Johnstone and partner David McGuire, and her sole granddaughter Olivia Riccio.

Please join the family to celebrate Celeste’s light and life on Saturday, April 28, 2018 between 1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. at Foran Funeral Home, 7300 West Archer Avenue, Summit IL, 60501. A memorial service will begin at 2:30 p.m. Celeste has requested that her remains be cremated and interred with her husband James at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery during a private funeral. The family is grateful for your condolences. In lieu of flowers please

donate to either the Heifer Foundation (www.heiferfoundation.org) or any democratic women running for office this year.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 W. Hoff Rd.
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

APR **28**. 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

HP

“ Carol and Paul, So many wonderful memories of Celeste as a good neighbor, family friend and early feminist. She inspired me to think about living life as a woman beyond the standards of her generation. She and your Dad were regulars at the many parties in the Pribble family basement. Always celebrating with the rest of the Summit crowd! I like to think that's what they are doing now. I am sorry that I'm unable to express my condolences in person due to a work conflict. I hope you find comfort in the many memories you share of a life that was very well lived. All the best, Holly Pribble

Holly Pribble - April 27, 2018 at 05:32 PM

CK

“ We will remember Celeste, she was a wonderful friend. Natalie, (Bob), Michelle, Barbara, (Alison), Catherine and Robert Pomorski.

Catherine Kosek - April 27, 2018 at 01:47 PM

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“ Carol, I still clearly remember your mom's bright light and big smile! You were such an angel for her through her illness and I know she must be looking down upon you and Paul and all the family with tremendous love and affection. Sending you love and peace as you cope with your loss. XO

Sue E - April 26, 2018 at 07:11 PM

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“ CAROL AND PAUL,
SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR MOMS PASSING. SHE WAS
A GREAT LADY!
SHE WAS SUCH A GOOD NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOR TO MY MOM
AND ALL OF US AND SHE MADE GREAT PBnJ SANDWICHES !
HOPEFULLY, SHE AND MY MOM ARE NEIGHBORS AGAIN AS
ANGELS!

SALLY (PRIBBLE) HARTZ

SALLY HARTZ - April 24, 2018 at 01:23 PM

CJ

*Thank you for your kind words, Sally. She loved your family and was
always grateful that you were our neighbors. She did make great PBnJ
sandwiches :)*

Carrol Johnstone - April 26, 2018 at 02:40 PM