



Eleanor Jayne Yager

October 10, 1921 - January 19, 2019

Eleanor J. Yager, age 97, formerly of Watertown and Waverly, MN, passed away January 19, 2019, at Friendship Village, Bloomington.

Eleanor was born October 10, 1921, in Waverly, MN, the daughter of John and Gertrude (Demarais) Jolicoeur. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Waverly.

She graduated from Buffalo High School in 1940. After high school she attended teachers training and taught in a one room school house.

Eleanor was united in holy marriage to Orville S. Yager, of Watertown, MN, on April 22, 1944 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Waverly, by the Fr. Charles M. Morgan. They happily celebrated 57 years of marriage.

With her marriage to Orville she lived the life of a "Military Wife and Mother". Traveling to Germany, Alaska, Texas, Virginia, Ethiopia, Massachusetts and finally home again to Minnesota she was the foundation of our family. Eleanor also pursued a career in Civil Service serving in multiple positions supporting the Army, Navy and Air Force and finally retiring from Postal Data here in Minneapolis. She was recognized on multiple occasions for excellence and outstanding performance. Eleanor loved family and cooking and was especially fond of her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Eleanor was preceded in death by her husband Orville, son Charles, parents John and Gertrude Jolicoeur and sisters; Gladys Miller, Delores Zahrendt and twin sister Leonor Lorenz and brother Rupert Jolicoeur.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law, John and Marvel Yager of Bloomington. Granddaughters; Andrea (Todd) McNiff of Andover, MN, Victoria (Joseph) Schwab of Spokane, WA and Laura Yager of Eden Prairie, MN, and great grandchildren, Sophia Schwab, Keira Hussain and Malia Hussain; brother-in-law Robert Lorenz of Edina; nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

Visitation Monday 4-7 PM at Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapel at 50th and Hwy 100, Edina, MN, and one hour prior to mass at St. Richard's Catholic Church.

A Mass of Christian Burial for Eleanor J. Yager will be conducted Tuesday, January 29th 2019 at 11 AM, at St. Richards Catholic Church in Richfield, MN, with the Fr. Mark Pavlik officiating.

Interment will be at the National Cemetery at Fort Snelling.

Cemetery Details

Fort Snelling National Cemetery

7601 34th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55450

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 28. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Edina Chapel
5000 West 50th & Highway 100
Edina, MN 55436
(952) 920-3996
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

Visitation

JAN 29. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Richard's Catholic Church
7540 Penn Avenue South
Richfield, MN 55423

Mass of Christian Burial

JAN 29. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Richard's Catholic Church
7540 Penn Avenue South
Richfield, MN 55423

Tribute Wall

MR

“ For John, Marvel and family, our deepest sympathy. For us, a treasured friendship, physically lost but eternally gained. We have so many wonderful and “funny” memories being with you and Orville while stationed in Ethiopia and Fort Devens. Your gracious and giving friendship will remain a hallmark in our family for times yet to be counted. You are home now, dear friend. Marilyn and Tom Royce, Tucson, AZ



marilyn royce - January 29, 2019 at 02:04 PM

PH

“ *Our Hearts are saddened by the Loss of A Precious and Dear Friend , Eleanor Yager. We met with her and Orville while our men were in the Military service together and were So Blessed each and every time we got to visit... Those were Joyful times and moments we have always treasured... I still cook a lot of Eleanors recipes and especially those delicious Sugar cookies that were Always served -- at her Breakfast table. Yes, for Breakfast. .In the past few years, I would call Eleanor and Always felt an Uplift from her voice and conversation, even with her failing health, she had a way of leaving a heart warming impression. our Deepest Sympathy , thoughts and Prayers are with John, Marvel and the Family at this time.. But Oh, what Beautiful memories, they have to have in the Love and Devotion that they got from Eleanor... May God Bless all of you, watch over you and keep you in his care as you celebrate Eleanor's life today.... Thanks John for keeping in touch by letting us know the best times to call your Mom . We really appreciated it..and Thanks for putting up the Smiling face and twinkle in her eyes picture.. That Was your Mom., who had a Beautiful Soul.... Polly and Terry Hurst, Flemingsburg, Kentucky...*



Polly and Terry Hurst - January 29, 2019 at 11:25 AM

FT

“ *From Phil & Lerry Teslow purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Eleanor Jayne Yager.*



From Phil & Lerry Teslow - January 28, 2019 at 01:41 PM

SJ

“ *"Nothing is as Sacred as a Mother!" A Quote from her son, Chuck Yager; A remembrance from Chuck's friend and fellow pilot, Steve Johnson*

Steve Johnson - January 27, 2019 at 11:47 PM

MA

“ *Margaret Arens lit a candle in memory of Eleanor Jayne Yager*



Margaret Arens - January 25, 2019 at 07:19 PM

MA

“ *Margaret A. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Eleanor Jayne Yager.*



Margaret A. - January 25, 2019 at 07:07 PM

TR

“ *Tom and Marilyn Royce purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Eleanor Jayne Yager.*



Tom and Marilyn Royce - January 25, 2019 at 02:51 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Eleanor Jayne Yager.*



January 24, 2019 at 11:45 AM