



Prudence M. Kelly

July 26, 1927 - December 3, 2016

Prudence M. Kelly, age 89, of Gravois Mills, Missouri, passed away Saturday, December 3, 2016, at her daughter's home. She was born July 26, 1927, in Rockford, Illinois, a daughter of the late Joseph and Anna (Felipi) Ferraro.

On May 28, 1949, at the St. Patrick Catholic Church in Rockford, Illinois, she was united in marriage to William C. Kelly, who preceded her in death on October 4, 2016.

Prudence worked as a legal secretary and later was head librarian for the Rockford Public Library where she retired after many years.

She was a member of the St. Bernadette Catholic Church in Rockford and was an active member of the YWCA and the Tai Chi Club.

Some of her favorite hobbies included, reading, telling stories, gardening, traveling abroad and dancing with her husband, Bill. Prudence had a loving, optimistic and cheerful personality and most importantly, she loved her children and grandchildren.

She is survived by her children, Maureen Thurman and husband Allen of Gravois Mills, Missouri, Bill Kelly, Jr. of Conifer, Colorado and John L. Kelly of Omaha, Nebraska; her grandchildren, Patrick Kelly, Daniel Kelly, Michael

Kelly, Steven Kelly and Anna Kelly; her brother, Joe Ferraro of Rockford, Illinois and numerous nieces, nephews and very special niece, Susan Fricke. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her sister, Clara Pruss.

A celebration of Prudence's life will be held at a later date.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home of Versailles, Missouri.

Tribute Wall

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“ To the family of Bill and Prudy - we lived next door to your parents (across the alley).
What a wonderful couple they were -- and great neighbors ! I will never forget your mother's smile and your dad's mustache !!
Blessings to you all...
Cindi (Rossato) Schwitters

cindi rossato schwitters - December 30, 2016 at 09:37 AM

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“ Maureen and family,

So sorry for your loss. I remember your Mother well from growing up. She always had a beautiful smile. May your pleasant memories help you and your family heal.

Vicki Harms Ppool

Vicki Harms Ppool - December 11, 2016 at 01:52 PM



“ Aunt Prudy gave my daughter a stuffed animal we call "Christmas Doggy," complete with a winter hat and sweater. My daughter slept with it for years and still does sometimes. What a warm and gentle spirit Prudy was...

Noel Clark - December 08, 2016 at 10:36 AM

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“ *I had the pleasure of getting to know Prudence living next door this summer. She was a delight, so full of joy each time I saw her. I was invited over Thanksgiving evening and enjoyed a visit with Mo and her. She was happy and enjoyed their Thanksgiving. Thankful for getting to know her!*
God Bless!

Diana Baracz - December 08, 2016 at 10:30 AM