



Martina Elizabeth Watson

December 21, 1935 - November 28, 2023

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Martina Elizabeth Watson, after a lengthy battle with Parkinson's Disease, on November 28, 2023, at the age of 87. Martina, a native of Salem, IL, concluded her life's journey at Adams Place in Murfreesboro, TN. She retired from General Telephone, leaving behind a legacy of dedication.

Martina was born to Antone Peter Paus and Nora Theresa O'Brien Paus. She joins her husband, Paul Raymond Watson, Jr., and sisters, Marie Strong and Monica Sidner, in eternal rest.

Martina's memory lives on through her son, Pete (Monica) Watson, and cherished grandchildren, Tyler (Kellie) Watson and Natalie (Kyle) Whittaker. The laughter and joy she brought will continue through her great-grandchildren; Scarlett, Liliana, Guinevere, and Carter.

She is also remembered fondly by many nieces and nephews. Preceding her were: Tina Marie Sidener, Michael Strong, and Don Cline. Surviving her are: Theresa (Michael) Purcell, Monica Ann (Doug) Schaubert, Mary Bowerman, Patty Jo (David) Pickel, and Jane Cline, Mike (Orasa) Watson, Tommy (Sherry) Watson, and dear friend Henry Purcell.

Martina's spirit and warmth will forever be cherished. As we bid farewell, let us

celebrate a life well-lived, and may her soul find eternal peace.

Per Martina's wishes, cremation rites were accorded and a Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday, December 16, 2023 at 10:00 AM at St. Theresa of Avila Church in Salem with Father Rev. Jose Jacob officiating. Burial will follow at Paradise Cemetery in Salem. In Honor of Martina, memorial donations may be made to St. Theresa of Avila Church and/or Michael J. Fox Foundation and will be accepted at the Sutherland-Rankin Funeral Home 310 North Broadway/ P.O. Box 97 Salem, Illinois 62881, (618)548-1234, who is honored to be of service to Martina's Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com and the Sutherland Funeral Homes Facebook Page.

Previous Events

Funeral Mass

DEC 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St Theresa of Availa Catholic Church
812 West Main Street
IL 62881

Tribute Wall

SB

“ My husband was diagnosed of Parkinsons disease 2 years ago, when he was 49. He had a stooped posture, tremors, right arm does not move and also a pulsating feeling in his body. He was placed on Senemet for 8 months and then Sifrol was introduced and replaced the Senemet, during this time span he was also diagnosed with dementia. He started having hallucinations, lost touch with reality. Suspecting it was the medication I took him off the Siferol (with the doctor’s knowledge) and started him on PD-5 natural herbal formula we ordered from AKNNI HERBAL CENTRE, his symptoms totally declined over a 3 weeks use of the AKANNI HERBAL Parkinsons disease natural herbal formula. He is now almost 51 and doing very well, the disease is totally reversed! (Visit w w w.aknniherbscentre .com)

susan baker - May 21, 2025 at 01:54 AM

MW

“ 1 file added to the album Martina Elizabeth Watson



Michael Watson - December 16, 2023 at 08:18 AM

MW

I have such wonderful memories of my Aunt Tina as a beautiful and elegant lady. She was always very sweet and kind.

Michael Watson - December 16, 2023 at 09:44 AM

JE

“ Jeff planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Martina Elizabeth Watson.

Jeff - December 07, 2023 at 09:12 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Martina Elizabeth Watson.



December 07, 2023 at 09:12 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Martina Elizabeth Watson.



December 06, 2023 at 06:01 PM

MA

“ So very sorry for your loss Pete and Monica, Tina was a very special lady and I am honored to have known her. You are all in my prayers.

Misty Ashley - December 06, 2023 at 04:03 PM

VG

“ Tina was a beautiful person inside and out, and a wonderful friend. Much loved by many . A mountain of memories shared with the family. Virginia & Chuck Garner

Virginia Garner - December 03, 2023 at 12:20 PM

NC

“ I love Tina. She was a friend, Co-worker and car pool buddy. We always made each other laugh until we would cry. She gave my daughter a baby shower and held her the entire time. The world lost a wonderful person. See you on the flip side, sweetie!

Nana S Cheshire - December 02, 2023 at 06:21 AM