



Mary Corine "Codie" Peterson

June 28, 1930 - September 22, 2025

We announce the passing of Mary Corine "Codie" Peterson, 95, on 22 September 2025, who lived in Centralia for over 72 years.

Codie was born in Opdyke, Illinois on 28 June 1930, daughter of Opal (Waite) and Newton Scott. Codie grew up on her Grandparents farm on Liberty Road outside of Mt. Vernon. She attended a 1-room school through 8th grade and later moved into the town of Mt. Vernon where Codie attended Mt. Vernon High School graduating in 1948. Codie married Marvin "Pete" Peterson on 25 August 1950, in Mt Vernon and became a homemaker. They moved to Centralia in 1953. Codie is survived by six children: LeRoy (Luanne H.); James (Mary Ann L.); Joseph (Verdell P.); Thomas (Deb P.); LouAnn (Charlie S.); and Paul (Astaridh S.). Codie is also survived by eight grandchildren: Marya, Michelle, Tim, Kelly, Adam, Arrena, Kathryn, and Robert along with five great grandchildren: Eliza, Juliette, Ari, Nina, and Coraline. Also surviving is her brother, Bill (Teresa) Hanley, of Du Quoin, Illinois, her sister, Donna (Ron Hooper) of Eldorado, IL, and her dearest cousin, Carolyn Tate, of Bethalto, IL. Codie was preceded in death by her husband, Marvin A. Peterson; parents Opal (Waite) Hanley and Newton Scott; her sisters Lorine "Lodie" (Scott) Greenwalt, and Lois Calvin; and her brother, Don Hanley. Codie was active in the Centralia community and regularly attended church and various clubs including: Cornerstone United Methodist Church; AARP – President of Centralia Chapter

for 3 yrs., Lifetime member of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary Club # 2055; Salvation Army Volunteer; Volunteer at CARE supporting families in need; Volunteer at the Centralia Balloon Festival; and Yoga Teacher for many years (until age 94). Codie was also a traveler – across the United States and Europe.

A memorial service will be held at Bethel Memorial Cemetery in Mt. Vernon at a later date. In memory of Codie, memorial donations may be made to the Cornerstone United Methodist Church in Centralia and will be accepted by the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home at 235 North Sycamore Street in Centralia, IL 62801 (618) 532-3523, who is honored to serve the Peterson family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com or the Funeral Home's Facebook page.

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“ Sorry to hear of Codie's passing. She attended my Senior Yoga Classes at Kaskaskia College. She & all my students has a great time. Loved going to her home on the lake for our class picnics! I remember she was very saddened when her sister, Lodie passed. May she find her peace as she steps into the light. Ellen McMackin Spencer

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