



Melba Jean Jones

June 18, 1937 - October 16, 2024

Melba Jean Jones, 87, of Salem, went to be with her Lord and Savior on October 16th, 2024, with her family by her side. She was born June 18th, 1937, in Odin, Illinois to Herbert and Rosemond (Williamson) Kelly. She would marry Raymond Jones on August 5th, 1955, and he preceded her in death in 2019, after 64 amazing years of marriage.

Melba is survived by a son: Garry (Renee) Jones, of Louisiana; two daughters: Terri (Ronald) Kramer, of Salem, and Deidre Jones, of Salem; four grandchildren: Seth Jones, Shawn Rasul, Kiran Rasul, and Anissa Wheeler; five great-grandchildren: Alivia Rasul, Carson Bryan, Kameron Rasul, Atlee Rasul, and Isaiah Wheeler; one brother: Ronnie Kelly; as well as many nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, loving husband, two brothers, and three sisters.

Melba had many interests, including cooking from scratch, writing poems, gardening, and sewing. Her greatest joys came from spending time with her family and supporting her loving husband, Raymond.

A funeral service will be held Sunday October 20th, 2024, at 2:00pm at the Sutherland-Rankin Funeral Home chapel, with Pastor Phil Martin officiating. Burial to follow at Summit Prairie Cemetery. A visitation will be held Sunday October 20th, 2024, from 12:00pm till the time of service at the Funeral Home for family and friends. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Summit Prairie Cemetery and will be accepted at the Sutherland-Rankin Funeral

Home at 310 N. Broadway/PO Box 97 Salem, Illinois 62881, (618)548-1234, who is honored to be of service to Melba's family, at this time. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com or Sutherland Funeral Homes Facebook Page.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **20**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Sutherland - Rankin Funeral Home
310 N Broadway Ave
Salem, IL 62881
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Funeral Service

OCT **20**. 2:00 PM.

Sutherland-Rankin Funeral Home chapel

Tribute Wall



“ *Melba & Raymond was huge blessing in my when I was a young man. I know that I'll forget either one them as well as their children. I hope to see you all in paradise. Thanks is never enough when it it comes to how I feel about this whole family.* ”

Tom Phillips - October 23, 2024 at 01:10 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Melba Jean Jones.* ”



October 18, 2024 at 10:40 AM