



Dorothy Jo Crum

June 14, 2024 - January 9, 2010

MATTOON -- Dorothy Jo Crum, age 85 of Mattoon, IL died at 2:47 p.m. on Saturday, January 9, 2010 at Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center. Funeral services celebrating her life will begin at 12:00 Noon, Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home with Reverend John Titus officiating. Interment will be in Dodge Grove Cemetery in Mattoon, IL. Visitation will be from 10:00 A.M.-12:00 Noon Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Ave., Mattoon, IL. Dorothy was born June 14, 1924 in Rochester, MI, the daughter of William and Josephine (Wessinger) Bailey. She married Lawrence H. Crum on June 30, 1951 in Bloomfield Hills, MI. He died on April 19, 1998. Survivors include her daughter Mary Jo Eberspacher and son-in-law David of Mattoon, IL; one granddaughter, Sarah Marie Eberspacher of Mattoon, IL; and a sister, Joyce Newlin of Spanish Fort, AL. Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and one sister Marion Avalon Anderson. Dorothy attended the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, in Mattoon, IL. She was a retired kindergarten teacher, having taught for 38 years in Michigan, Virginia and Kentucky. A graduate of Michigan State University, Dorothy was a member of the Tower Guard (an academic honorary) and Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority. Dorothy had a passion for playing bridge, enjoyed flower gardening, was an avid reader, and was a member of the Friends of the Mattoon Public Library. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother who will be truly missed by her family and friends. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Mattoon Public

Library, Coles County Animal Shelter, or Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in care of Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home. To share a memory or light a candle, please visit www.mitchell-jerdan.com.

Tribute Wall



“ Dorothy Jo Crum

October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ Dorothy had a great impact on the lives of young children as she taught at Charles Russell with my Mom, Lorene Rice, who was proud to call her friend, and taught my son Bobby as a four year old. He loved picking up the dog's ear (I think she was Mrs. Murphy) to tell secrets to.

Carol Rice Allen - January 15, 2010 at 08:41 PM



“ Mrs. Crum was my kindergarten teacher at Bellefonte kindergarten in 1969-70 and she taught my brother, Todd, 4 years later. We loved her and Murphy the dog. She got us started off loving school and making learning fun. She was sweet but knew how to keep us in line! She made me the circus ringmaster at the end of the year. I guess she saw my "management potential" at a young age. I am sorry for your loss. I will always have special memories of her, the house, the sandbox, the singing dog, learning French and all kinds of other fun things.

Tracy Hobbs Wilkerson - January 14, 2010 at 05:18 PM



“ I will never forget Dorothy Crum. She was my 5th grade teacher at Charles Russell Elementary. She was the best teacher I had in all my school years. She was so loving and kind and taught us so much beyond books. I will never forget her. I really am sorry for your loss.

Darlene Morrison Lowe - January 14, 2010 at 04:31 PM

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“ I'm so sorry to hear of Mrs. Crum's passing. I was one of her kindergarten students in 1961. It's amazing how many wonderful and vivid memories I have of her and my year there even though I was only five. I thought she was the most wonderful thing on earth. And she was! I couldn't wait to get there everyday and she taught me so much. I'll always cherish the memories.\n\nSincerely,\n\nSally Grumbles Hanbury

Sally Grumbles Hanbury - January 14, 2010 at 04:23 PM

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“ My fondest memories as a child was attending Mrs.Crum's Kindergaten in Bellefonte, the class was in the basement of house, she was so kind, and fun too! Mr. Crum did a beautiful charcoal portrait of my sister Cheryl- Thanks for the memories Mrs. Crum and God Bless to the family.

Sara Jane Herr (Light) - January 14, 2010 at 03:25 PM

CA

“ I'm sadden to hear of Dorothy's passing. I hope she didn't suffer. She was and always will be a special person to me. I know my mom feels the same. She came to moms beauty shop for years, and I enjoyed spending time in the shop talking to her. She will be missed by alot of people.

Connie Arthur Arthur - January 14, 2010 at 04:59 AM