



Marjorie L. Chesnut

October 6, 1929 - March 15, 2026

Marjorie L. Chesnut, age 96, of Mattoon, IL peacefully passed away on Sunday March 15, 2026, with her family by her side at Odd Fellow Rebekah Home.

A funeral service in her honor will be held at 11:00 AM, Thursday, March 19, 2026, at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938. Reverend Rachel Moore will officiate. A committal service will immediately follow in Dodge Grove Cemetery. The visitation will be held from 9:00 AM until the time of service at the funeral home.

Born October 6, 1929, in rural Effingham County, Illinois, Marjorie was the daughter of Everett and Glenola Lister. She married Loren Chesnut on July 29, 1950, in Dieterich, Illinois. Survivors include three daughters, Judy Smithenry and husband John of Newton, IL, Patty St. Louis and husband Ed of Bourbonnais, IL, Susan Pugh and husband John of Sullivan, IL; five grandchildren: Sara Smithenry, Greg St. Louis and wife Kim, Leanne Smithenry, Joshua Pugh, Jeremiah Pugh and wife Bri; four great-grandchildren; and one sister-in-law, Joan Lister. She was preceded in death by her husband Loren in 2016, three brothers, Donald, Byrle, Carroll Lister; and two sisters-in-law, Melba and Sandra Lister.

Marjorie retired from Mattoon Community School District #2 where she

worked in the lunch program.

She was a wonderful homemaker who had the gift of hospitality. She was a talented quilter who made many quilts for her family. She also enjoyed quilting at Marshall Avenue Church and Lifespan Center.

Following her retirement, Marjorie generously gave of her time volunteering with the Salvation Army, the United Way, and RSVP, as well as with Marshall Avenue Christian Church where she was a long-time member.

Marjorie was dearly loved by her family and will be deeply missed by them.

Memorial donations in her honor may be made to the Marshall Avenue Christian Church, 620 S. 26th Street, Mattoon, IL 61938

Please visit www.mitchell-jerdan.com or www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome to light a virtual candle in her honor or share a memory with the family.

Cemetery Details

Dodge Grove Cemetery

917 North 22nd Street
Mattoon, IL 61938

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Marjorie L. Chesnut



Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home - March 19 at 11:16 AM



“ Love, SRC Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Marjorie L. Chesnut.



Love, SRC Family - March 17 at 11:22 AM