



Martha Ann Schwarz

May 10, 1943 - March 3, 2026

Martha Ann Schwarz, age 82 of Mattoon IL passed away on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, at Odd Fellow-Rebekah Home.

A private family graveside service in her honor will take place at a later date. Pastor Joy Starwalt will officiate. Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938, is in charge of services.

Martha was born on May 10, 1943, in Mattoon, IL to the late Raymond Noah and Gladys Elizabeth (Boldt) Schwarz. She is survived by one brother, John D. Schwarz and wife Pam of Indianapolis, IN; two sisters, Ruth Chaplin of Mattoon, IL, and Mary M. McCarthy of Mattoon, IL. She was preceded in death by three brothers, Joseph W., David E., and James R. Schwarz.

Martha began her career with Consolidated Communications in 1961 as an operator. Through hard work and dedication, she was promoted to Chief Operator, eventually retiring as project manager in 1993.

A pioneer in family research, she loved tracing genealogy long before it was popular, along with reading, solving jigsaw puzzles, and traveling to favorite places like Hawaii, Ireland, and Florida. She also treasured time spent with her sisters, especially attending the Little Theatre on the Square in Sullivan, IL and the Effingham Performance Center. These cherished hobbies and moments created a lifetime of wonderful memories.

Martha was a one-of-a-kind sister who made the world brighter by being in it. She will be deeply missed and forever loved.

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eralhome to light a virtual candle in her honor or share a memory with the family.

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“ I was telephone operator 1969-1974 when Ms Schwartz, was DGC and sister Mary wad supervisor. Respected them both very much. I had trouble saying Miss it came out Mrs. Martha got a kick out of it. Very sorry for the family's loss she will definitely be missed.

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