



## Sarah Jane Thomas

July 11, 1940 - May 5, 2019

Sarah Jane Thomas, age 78 of Neoga, IL passed away at 4:05 PM, Sunday, May 5, 2019 at Odd Fellow-Rebekah Home in Mattoon, IL.

A funeral service will be held at a later date. Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938 is in charge of services.

Sarah was born on July 11, 1940 in Litchfield, IL the daughter of the late Glenn H. and Anna M. (Bilby) Norvell. She married Jerry L. Shields in 1958 in Urbana, IL. He preceded her in death in 1986. Sarah later married Harvey L. Thomas on June 6, 1987 in Charleston, IL. Sarah is survived by her loving husband Harvey, of Neoga, IL; three daughters, Margaret "Maggie" R.

Wickersham and husband Ric of Mattoon, IL, Marye E. Eveland of Hindsboro, IL, Jennifer L. Cowgill and husband Geoff of Maroa, IL; one son, David L. Thomas of Waddell, AZ; six grandchildren, Mason, Dillon and Nick Eveland, Ray and Ava Cowgill, and Nina Thomas; and one sister, Margaret Crowsen and husband Don of St. James, MO. She is preceded in death by one brother, James Norvell; and one brother-in-law, Don Thomas.

Sarah was employed by Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, IL as a print operator. She devoted much of her life and time as an avid supporter of Alcoholics Anonymous (AA). She took pleasure in reading and painting. Sarah loved her children and grandchildren. Her memory will live on through her family and friends.

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family.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Sarah Jane Thomas*

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October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ *I worked with Sarah at EIU. She was a kind, sweet person. May  
Jesus give you comfort.*

*Brenda Sawyer*

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**Brenda Sawyer** - May 10, 2019 at 07:46 AM