



Thelma May Hameister

November 10, 1922 - September 3, 2023

Thelma May Hameister, born November 10, 1922 in Kankakee, Illinois, to Albert and Marguerite Deavers, passed peacefully on September 3, 2023 at Homestead of Derby Assisted Living Facility in Derby, Kansas. Though her given name is Thelma, she was known by all who knew and loved her as Sally, being given the nickname by her loving husband, Harry. Sally graduated from Grant Park High School in 1941 where she had played violin in the orchestra. After graduation, she worked in Chicago Heights, Illinois until she married Harry on December 12, 1943. They farmed west of Beecher, Illinois for 43 years and then moved into the town of Beecher in 1986. As well as being a housewife and farming partner with Harry, Sally worked as a cook in what used to be Wilma's Restaurant and then for fifteen years with Peotone Bensenville Nursing Home.

Harry and Sally were blessed with three children, Larry (Dianne) Hameister of Spring Hill, Florida, Beverly Hameister, and Sandra (Jan) Dunlavy of Mulvane, Kansas. Grandchildren Mike (Kris) Hameister, Michelle Simone, Kyle (Wendy) Eckhart, Tony Dunlavy, Veronica Dunlavy, and Sara Eckhart. Great-grandchildren Alexis, Bella, Trenton, Parker, Caroline, Kyle, and Mary. Sally was preceded in death by her husband Harry, parents Albert and Marguerite, siblings Evelyn, Mary, Bill, and Dorothy, daughter Beverly, and granddaughter Sara.

Visitation and Funeral Service will be held at Peace Lutheran Church (Beecher Campus) on Tuesday September 12, 2023.

Funeral arrangements are under the Hack-Jensen Funeral Home

Cemetery Details

St. Paul's Cemetery

1407 W Church Road
Beecher, IL 60401

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 12. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM.

Peace Lutheran (Beecher Campus)

Funeral Service

SEP 12. 2:30 PM.

Peace Lutheran (Beecher Campus)

Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry to hear this....Prayers and thoughts for the family and friends at this time. RIP Sally!

Barbara Naughton - September 21, 2023 at 03:52 PM

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“ I have so many precious memories with Sally. I am grateful to have met and cared for her over the past 8 years. She and I both came to Homestead around the same time in 2015. Sally quickly became my favorite resident as she was such a loving and kind woman. We shared stories, jokes, tears, and kisses on the cheek. There's no denying that I will miss her deeply, and I can confidently say that our residents and staff will, too. She will forever hold a special place in my heart. Thank you for all the memories, Sally. I love you!



Denise Rutenbeck - September 06, 2023 at 08:41 PM

JB

“ I have many wonderful memories of Sally both as a neighbor and as a coworker at the Peotone Bensenville Home. She was a sweet, lovely lady! My sympathy to all the family! 🙏❤️

Janice Braun - September 04, 2023 at 12:47 PM