



Elaine Jinkins

April 22, 1935 - May 8, 2014

Elaine (Davis) Jinkins, 79, formerly of St. Joseph, died Thursday, May 8, 2014, at Amberwood Care Centre in Rockford, Illinois.

Services celebrating her life will be held at 1 PM (MI Time) on Wednesday, May 14, at the Dey-Florin Chapel of Florin Funeral Service in St. Joseph. The visitation will begin at Noon on Wednesday at the Dey-Florin Chapel. Burial will follow the service in North Shore Memory Gardens. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association (act.alz.org). Please share messages, memories or photos at www.florin.net.

Elaine was born on April 22, 1935, in Benton Harbor to Frank and Edith (Gilbert) Davis. She graduated from Benton Harbor High School in 1953. She met Alan Floyd Jinkins when she was a waitress at Holly's Landing and they married in 1955. He preceded her in death in 1997. They were married for 42 years, and their greatest joy was raising their son, Jeffrey Alan. Elaine worked for Heath Company and retired from FMB Community Bank in Dowagiac in 1997 after 20 years. Elaine lived in Benton Harbor, Berrien Center, St. Joseph, and most recently near her son in Rockford, Illinois.

Elaine was a skilled bowler for many years. She was the life of the party, organizing gatherings for co-workers and family. Elaine was an avid reader of Nora Roberts' books and was a fan of action movies. She met many friends playing bingo through the years, and she was very good at playing cards and billiards. Most of all, Elaine enjoyed telling stories about growing up with the love of her five brothers and mother.

She is survived by her son, Jeffrey (Ann Marie) Jinkins of Cherry Valley, IL; three brothers: Frank (Helen) Davis of Coloma, Duane (Donna) Davis of Katy, TX, and Roger (Mary) Davis; sisters-in-law Jean Davis of Riverview FL, Kate Davis of Coloma, Fanny Kelly of Dearborn, and Eleanor (Allen) Heminger of Berrien Center; and many nieces and nephews. She was also preceded in death by her parents, and two brothers, Bob and Jim Davis.

Cemetery Details

North Shore Memory Gardens

5027 M 63 N
Coloma, MI 49038

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 14. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Dey-Florin Chapel of Florin Funeral Service - Closed 2013
2506 Niles Avenue
St. Joseph, MI 49085
(269) 983-1514
staff@florin.net

Services Celebrating Her Life

MAY 14. 1:00 PM (ET)

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2506 Niles Avenue
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Burial

MAY 14. 2:20 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JC

“ I'm sorry to hear about your moms passing. I know how you are feeling since I lost my mother the next day. She was a great lady.
Love Julie

Julie Carlson - June 12, 2014 at 12:59 PM

LG

“ Jeff - I am so sorry to hear that your mother passed away! I'm sure you were her pride and joy!

Laura Green - May 14, 2014 at 11:48 AM

TV

“ Jeff and Family,
We were so sorry to hear about your Mom, it has been many years since we have seen each other but she was a very special lady and so very proud of you. My husband Jim worked with your Dad at Industrial Pattern. You were supposed to be born on the 13th of Feb and my daughter the 8th, but instead your Mom and I just reversed it.

Tina Vida - May 12, 2014 at 07:00 PM

RD

Jeff and family,
So sorry our heart is heavy for you and all the family. Hope that these words of comfort on the loss of your mother, will help you.. We will always remember her sweet smile and beautiful personality. She was a very blessed lady and loved by many. Roger said good bye big sister, I'll really miss you. I love you I'll see you again Sis, God Bless and rest in peace. Love Roger & Mary

Roger & Mary Davis - May 14, 2014 at 05:46 PM