



Dorothy J. Gassen

August 3, 1927 - February 17, 2015

Dorothy J. Gassen, age 87, of Gobles, formerly of Muscatine, Iowa, passed away February 16, 2015 at her home. Dorothy was born in Gobles, Aug. 3, 1927, the daughter of Robert and Ina (Feely) Benson. She was a member of St. Jude Parish of Gobles, was a Registered Nurse who graduated from Bronson Hospital, Kalamazoo, MI, and was the school nurse for Muscatine School Systems in Iowa. She enjoyed being at Mill Lake, feeding her birds, mowing and taking care of her land.

Surviving are her 4 children, Mike Gassen of Muscatine, IA, Laurie Miller of Lawton, MI, Mark (Dr. Ann) Gassen of Davenport, IA, Linda (Dale) Ruplinger of Bettendorf, IA; 7 grandchildren, Jason, Sarah, Taylor, Brady, Matthew, Kenzie and Joe; and a great granddaughter, Molly. She was preceded in death by her husband, William Gassen, in 1993; and a brother, Robert Benson.

Her wish was to be cremated. Burial will be at a later time in Robinson Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Cremation

Tribute Wall

MG

“ 63 years of memories, no one had a better mother than me.
Be at peace mom.....Mike

mike gassen - February 24, 2015 at 09:55 AM

NT

“ I am sorry for your loss. I will always remember Dorothy for all the good times that we had as school nurses and her many stories. She could always make the stories funny and interesting. I followed her to Jefferson but could never have as interesting stories.

You have my sincere sympathy.

Nancy Tietge

Nancy Tietge - February 19, 2015 at 03:23 PM

FT

“ From your friends at TPC purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dorothy J. Gassen.



From your friends at TPC - February 18, 2015 at 11:24 AM



“ Basket of Joy was purchased for the family of Dorothy J. Gassen.



February 18, 2015 at 10:34 AM

LC

“ Your mom was so fun to have as a friend , GEORGE and I missed her when she moved from Muscatine. We also would go over to their house for coffee and talk. I remember you dad He worked for the news paper as George did too They had lots of story to tell. Sorry to hear about your mom. Prayers for her and her family's
Lois Cordwell

Lois Cordwell - February 17, 2015 at 10:53 PM

ES

Dorothy was a wise, compassionate, and admired person within the Muscatine Schools. As a young teacher, I looked upon her as a mentor and friend. May God hold her in the palm of His Hand.

Ellen Strittmatter - February 18, 2015 at 06:52 AM

MC

My mom is waiting at heavens gate to greet "Old Lady Gassen"! They enjoyed many hours trying to figure out how their children think as well as many laughs! My mom sure missed her when she headed to Michigan! Thoughts, prayers and hugs to the Gassen family! May your memories carry you through this difficult time! Mary (Dierickx) Costello

Mary Costello - February 18, 2015 at 08:34 AM

DD

Gassen Kids,

I was sorry to hear your Mom has passed. I also used to like to stop and talk to your Mom. She was always ready to stop what she was doing and listen to my problems while I was growing up. She always treated me like part of your family. And always took care of me when Mike and I would come home to the house with a snot full. I still think about those days and kind of chuckle to myself. R.I.P. Dorothy. I love the memories.

David Dierickx

David Dierickx - February 18, 2015 at 07:55 PM

KC

Dorothy always had a smile on her face...well there were a few times that she had that stern look but it was probably something dumb us neighborhood kids did. I enjoyed the early years growing up next door to the Gassens. And my mom, Marge Cooney Peniston was there alot having that endless cofee. Dorothy will be missed.

Karen Cooney

Karen Cooney - February 23, 2015 at 08:58 AM

CS

So Sorry for your loss, I love Miss Dorothy I loved her being the nurse when I went to CMS and then to MHS I did alot of filing for her back in the day. And working 2 jobs in high school she always let me take a nap before I had to go to work at night since I had 3 free hours in a row. God Bless you all your Mother was 1 of a kind. Was even just talking about her the other day at MHS. RIP Miss Dorothy, Prayers to your family.

Cindy Brewer Simons

cindy simons - February 23, 2015 at 10:11 PM