



## Lila Ruth Heiser Colloton

May 7, 1930 - February 13, 2020

Lila Ruth Heiser Colloton, 89, of Marion, IL, passed away peacefully at 5:55 a.m. on Thursday, February 13, 2020, in Parkway Manor of Marion.

She was born on Wednesday, May 7, 1930, in Chicago, IL, the daughter of Lavern William and Viola Emily (Holm) Heiser.

Lila attended school in Highland Park, IL, and was a graduate of Highland Park High School.

She was united in marriage to John E. Colloton on Saturday, August 19, 1961, in Glencoe, IL and together they shared nearly 25 years of marriage until his death on Monday, January 27, 1986. This marriage was blessed with four daughters; Laura, Kim, Valerie and Alicia.

Lila was always grateful that her Lord and Savior gave her the ability to express herself in the written word. She was a free-lance writer for the Southern Illinoisan Newspaper, beginning in 1982 and continued for many years until her health declined. She also had written articles for many other publications and had two poems published in the International Library of Poetry in 2007.

She loved her Lord and Savior and was a long time member of the First Christian Church Disciples of Christ of Marion and later became a member of the Christian Life Church of Herrin, IL. Recently she had been attending at The Journey Church of Marion, with her family until her health declined.

Lila loved to travel and had visited many countries including Israel, Canada and many of the countries of Europe. She had also traveled to Alaska and had taken many tours all across the United States and also had taken many Christian Cruises. She also enjoyed taking her family, especially her grandchildren on special trips.

She also dressed as a clown visiting nursing care facilities and delivered Bibles to truckers at diners in Illinois.

Lila would tell you her Lord and Savior was the most important part of her life and her family was the second. Her family, especially her four girls and grandchildren brought her great joy and she was always interested in all of their many activities. She cherished the many times and memories they all shared together.

She is survived by her four daughters, Laura Bowen and husband Jeff of Marion, Kim

Veach and husband John of Ocala, FL, Valerie Colloton of St. Paul, MO and Alicia Colloton of Marion; six grandchildren, Nicole Griffin and husband Chris of Paducah, KY, Tiffany Colloton of Florissant, MO, Marissa Brooks and husband Eric of Granite City, IL, Kirstie Newsom of Marion, Shawn Bowen of St. Louis, MO and Kaitlyn Bonds of Evansville, IN; great granddaughter, Nevaeh Newsom of Marion; niece, Holly Jay and husband Bob of Parker, CO; two nephews, Caryl Reaver and wife Doris of Crystal Lake, IL and Bill Reaver of Albuquerque, NM, several great nieces and nephews, other extended family and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and sister, Lois Reaver-Black.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home, 900 N. Court St., Marion.

The memorial service will be at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 16, 2020, at the Journey Church, located at 9835 Old Bainbridge Trail of Marion, with Pastor Jordan Bird presiding. For those who prefer, memorial contributions may be made to "Hospice of Southern Illinois" and mailed in care of Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home, 900 N. Court Street, Marion, IL 62959. Memorial envelopes will be available at the funeral home and the church.

For additional information call the funeral home at 618-993-2131.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

FEB **16.** 3:00 PM (CT)

The Journey Church  
9835 Old Bainbridge Trail  
Marion, IL 62959

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lila Ruth Heiser Colloton*



**Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home** - February 14, 2020 at 03:59 PM



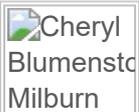
*Beautiful*

**Jane Griffin** - February 16, 2020 at 09:02 PM

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*Just learned of Lila's passing. She was a wonderful woman, always kind. We're so sorry for your loss. Don & Peggy Richey*

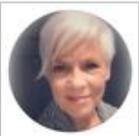
**PEGGY RICHEY** - April 05, 2020 at 03:26 PM



“ *Laura, I was so sorry that I missed your mom's memorial service. I just learned of her passing this morning. She was always so sweet, funny, and a joy to be around. You girls seem to have inherited that from her. Thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Your mom may run into my mom and dad in Heaven and they can tell stories on you and I. :) Love and hugs.*

*Cheryl Milburn*

**Cheryl Blumenstock Milburn** - February 17, 2020 at 09:23 AM



“ *We loved Lila and were so fond of her at CLC. Her grit and determination were inspiring!! She is dancing in heaven now and without her cane!!!!*

**Shoshana Church** - February 16, 2020 at 09:43 PM

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“ *Lila has such a sweet spirit and the Lords Love shown all around her. Her smile would brighten anyone's day. What a glorious time that she is now dancing with Jesus! Thank you Ms Lila for your obedience to the Lord and showing His love to all you encountered*

**Dawn R Smith** - February 16, 2020 at 08:53 AM

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“ *Laura, our thoughts and prayers are with you. Your Mom was a sweet lady. A remarkable life lived. Mike & Bonnie*

**BONNIE DARTER** - February 15, 2020 at 10:04 AM

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“ *Lori Jennings lit a candle in memory of Lila Ruth Heiser Colloton*



**Lori Jennings** - February 14, 2020 at 04:17 PM

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**Wilson-McReynolds Funeral Home** - February 14, 2020 at 03:19 PM