



Ella Mae Garlick

March 29, 1932 - May 23, 2026

Ella Mae Garlick, age 94 of Bourbonnais, passed away on Saturday, May 23, 2026, at Prairieview Lutheran Home in Danforth. She was born on March 29, 1932, in St. Anne, the daughter of Benjamin and Velma (Denham) Rattin. Ella Mae married David “Dave” William Garlick on June 1, 1956, at First Baptist Church of St. Anne. He preceded her in death on September 12, 2009.

Ella Mae answered God’s call to share the gospel of Jesus Christ to the world with David W. Garlick by raising a family of five children and faithfully supporting the work of church planting and camp ministry in Taiwan. Ella Mae and David served as missionaries with WorldVenture for 35 years. She loved to write, took many writing courses and enjoyed several creative outlets including art. Ella Mae was dedicated to her family with 20 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren.

Ella Mae was a member of River Valley Christian Fellowship in Bradley. Surviving are five children, Lorene (Reverend John) Franklin of St. Anne, Lynette (Reverend Robert) Eagy of Fairfax, VA, David S. Garlick of Lombard, Christine (Michael) Mealer of Chicago, Larry S. (Karen) Garlick of Westminster, CO; four siblings, David (Alice) Rattin of Kankakee, Donald (Ginny) Rattin of Indianapolis, IN, Clayton (Judy) Rattin of Bourbonnais, Nathan (Sue) Rattin of Bourbonnais; twenty grandchildren; thirty-three great grandchildren.

Ella Mae is preceded in death by her husband, David; her parents; one daughter-in-law, Carol Garlick; one granddaughter, Rebecca O’Dell; and four

siblings.

Visitation will be held from 5-7:00 p.m. on Friday, May 29, 2026, at Schreffler Funeral Home, Kankakee. A funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 30, 2026, at the funeral home. Pastor Samuel Goebbels, River Valley Senior Citizen Pastor will officiate the service. Burial will follow at St. Anne Township Cemetery in St. Anne.

Memorials may be made to WorldVenture

https://worldventure.com/explore/projects/?search_term=taiwan

Donations may be given to any ongoing project in Taiwan

Checks can be made to WorldVenture

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Cemetery Details

St. Anne Township Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 29. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Kankakee Chapel
1900 W. Court St.
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Funeral Service

MAY 30. 10:00 AM (CT)

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