



Mollie Gayle (Timmons) Gerling, 85, beloved mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother “Nannah”, left her earthly home on December 2, 2023, to be with her Savior Jesus Christ and her loved ones who have gone before her, including parents, Barney and Katherine Mary (Bush) Timmons, son, Gary L. Gerling II, sister Dana Faye Brubaker, and brother James Robert Timmons.

Mollie was born in Evansville, IN, on September 22, 1938, to the late Barney and Katherine Mary (Bush) Timmons. She graduated from Bosse High School, class of 1956. She also was proud to have attended courses at the University of Evansville and Indiana University as part of her career as a realtor. Mollie’s first career was as a homemaker and community volunteer. She was a member of Junior League of Evansville, Legal Mrs, and Tri-Kappa. Mollie

was incredibly proud of her work for the Evansville Museum Art Guild, Evansville Philharmonic Orchestra Guild, and the Boy Scouts Buffalo Trace Council. Many will have known Mollie from her work as a fashion consultant at Ruth Kishline’s Country Clothes, as manager and buyer for the Ivy Tree Gift Shop at Welborn Hospital, as a realtor, and as a prolific Indiana Artist. However, Mollie’s favorite jobs were mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

Affectionately known as “Molliedoodle” by her father, Mollie had a lively sense of humor, an abundant creative spirit, enormous physical energy, and no small amount of silliness. She impressed people with her beauty, style, and creative talent and delighted people with her earthy jokes, theatrical behavior, and head-first plunges into many adventures and careers.

Mollie’s family would like to thank the staff of Compassus Hospice, the Waters of Rockport, Heritage Woods, and Envive, especially Jenny, Bailey, Jordan, Erica, and Amy. In addition, Mollie’s family would like to thank Jim Davis, who provided spiritual solace to Mollie during the final stage of her life.

Mollie is survived by her three children, Grant L. Gerling (Katrina), Gayle L. Gerling Pettinga (Mark), and Gretchen L. Gerling; and was blessed with eight grandchildren and their spouses, Lindsay Gerling Nentrup (Craig), Cara Gerling, Crystal Brown-Schmidt (Jake Schmidt), Alexander Gerling (Madison), Adriana Pettinga, Emma Pettinga Cornell (Richie), Adam Gerling, Madeline Huggins (Davorin Clark), and Christian Huggins; eight great-grandchildren, Gemma and Hadley Nentrup, Jonah Gerling, Charlie and Marci Schmidt, Iris Wingo, Oliver Burris, and Asher Huggins; a large and loving extended family with many beloved cousins, nieces and nephews whom Mollie loved very much; many dear friends she loved, including life-long friends, Don and Abba Jean Graf, Barbara Vandever, Marge Talley, Mary Lou Leedy, and Julie Johnson; and the many friends of her children who frequented her home.

Funeral Services will be held at 10:00 am, on Saturday, December 16, 2023, at Boone Funeral Home East Chapel, 5330 Washington Avenue, Evansville with Jim Davis of Holy

Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church of Rockport, IN, officiating. Burial will be at Park Lawn Cemetery, 1526 S. Green River Road, Evansville. Friends and family are encouraged to gather for a reception following the funeral service at Evansville Country Club, 3810 Stringtown Road.

Friends may visit from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m., on Friday, December 15, 2023, and from 9:00 a.m. until service time, Saturday, December 16, 2023, at Boone Funeral Home East Chapel.

A Live Stream will be available beginning twenty minutes prior to the service time. Please visit www.boonefuneralhome.net, select your loved one's obituary, scroll to the bottom of the page, and click Live Stream.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Evansville Museum at 411 SE Riverside Drive, Evansville, IN 47713.

Boone Funeral Home East Chapel – A Family Tradition Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Mollie Gerling. Condolences may be made to the family online at boonefuneralhome.net.