



## Obituary

**Born:** Saturday, October 27, 1928

**Died:** Monday, February 4, 2019

Joyce M. Groom, age 90, of Pittsfield, IL passed away on Monday, February 4, 2019 at Liberty Village in Pittsfield. She was born on October 27, 1928 in Winchester, IL to Walter and Ada Smith Day. She married Robert Groom in Scott County on July 25, 1947 and he preceded her in death on October 21, 1986.

Joyce graduated from Winchester High School in 1946. She married Robert a year later and stayed home to raise their children. In later years, she worked as a florist and owned and operated Groom Gardens in Pittsfield. She enjoyed trout fishing, taking many fishing trips to Arkansas. She also loved attending sporting events her grandchildren were involved in and loved going to yard sales. Joyce was a lifetime member of the First Christian Church of Pittsfield. She was also a member of the Fireman's Auxiliary, American Legion Auxiliary, the Pittsfield Moose Lodge 420, and was also a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. She volunteered many, many hours at the Moose, American Legion, and the First Christian Church.

She is survived by two sons, Walter (Joan) Groom and Kerry (Sandy) Groom, both of Pittsfield, IL; five grandchildren, Angie (Jack) Hayden of Pittsfield, IL, Kate (Brian) Murphy of Monticello, MO, Ann (Eric) Murphy of Monticello, MO, Jeff (Kim) Groom of Pittsfield, IL, and Kara (Norm) Jockisch of Pittsfield, IL; eleven great grandchildren, Madison Murphy, Brianna Murphy, Hannah Hayden, Grace Murphy, Gwyneth Murphy, Jess Hayden, Carly Murphy, Josie Murphy, Finn Murphy, Alexis Groom, and Alyvia Groom; one great great granddaughter, Nova Murphy; a sister, Linda (Don) Benson of North Carolina; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Robert Groom; Son, Bobby Groom on December 1, 2004; and siblings, Audrey (Fritz) Stegemann, Denzel (Dorothy) Day, Hal (Myra) Day, and Madeline Day.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, February 8, 2019 at 3:00 PM at Niebur Funeral Home in Pittsfield. Interment will follow at Pittsfield West Cemetery. Visitation will be held prior to the service on Friday from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Memorials are suggested to Pittsfield First Christian Church or the Pittsfield Fire Department. Online condolences may be left to the family at [www.nieburfh.com](http://www.nieburfh.com). Niebur Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

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## Service Summary

### Visitation

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM, Fri Feb 08, 2019

### Niebur Funeral Home

530 W. Adams  
Pittsfield, Illinois 62363

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### Funeral Service

3:00 PM Fri Feb 08, 2019

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Charitable donations may be made in Joyce's memory to the following organizations:

**First Christian Church**

225 N. Memorial, Pittsfield, IL 62363

**Pittsfield Fire Department**