



## Jacquelyn Sue DeYoung

October 11, 2024

Jacquelyn Sue (Jones) DeYoung "Jackie", 94, formerly of Geneva, IL, passed away on October 11, 2024, with hospice care at Arden Courts at Old Orchard, Easton, PA, surrounded by her loving family. She was the dear wife of the late Roger Lee DeYoung for 61 years. Jackie was a kind, loving, and soft-spoken lady. She was so very much loved and cherished.

Jackie was born June 10, 1930, in Chicago, IL, the daughter of Edward Spellman Jones and Mary Bird (Holland) Jones. She attended Bryn Mawr Elementary School, and South Shore High School, graduating Valedictorian, Class of 1949. She attended Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, IL, for one year, transferring to the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana, IL, to pursue her lifelong love of art. She graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Advertising with the Highest Honors. She was a member of Alpha Phi Sorority. Having met on a blind date in the early years at the U of I, Jackie and Roger became engaged and married after graduation on June 26, 1954, in Lincoln, IL.

For 30 years, they owned and operated floral shops and greenhouses, retiring from Kettner's Flower Shop in East Dundee, IL, in 1992. In addition to their business, they shared an appreciation for art, architecture, and theater. They enjoyed traveling throughout the US and Europe together.

Jackie entered many of her paintings and woodcuts in fairs and competitions, often winning blue ribbons and silver dollars. In the floral shops, her talents and education contributed much beauty to the displays, planters, and corsages, along with composing artwork for advertising brochures and signage projects.

She was an active member of the First Congregational Church UCC of West Dundee, IL, for over 30 years. She was a former regent of Signal Hill Chapter, NSDAR Barrington, IL, a member of Chapter JG, P.E.O., in Elgin, IL, the Mayflower Society, the Magna Charta Society, and the Travel Class. Jackie enjoyed making greeting cards, usually painting or drawing landscapes, often from photos she took in the British Isles. She created Christmas cards utilizing different mediums. Jackie was an avid reader from early childhood, loved listening to opera, and was fascinated by ancient ruins. She had a keen interest in science, and medicine, and loved issues of Biblical Archaeology. When asked if she could have done anything besides the life she chose, she answered, "I would have loved to have gone on archaeological digs!"

Survivors: Daughter: Mary Sue DeYoung Bader and her husband David A. Bader of Bethlehem, PA; Son: Earl Edward DeYoung and his wife, Lynette Hoover DeYoung of Geneva, IL; Grandchildren: Gregory Thomas Prickett and his wife, Kathryn Sanderson Prickett of Nashville, TN, Ryan Daniel Prickett and his wife Alyssa Ferenc Prickett of Hinckley, IL, Allyson Barre DeYoung Armstrong and her husband Aaron Armstrong of Anderson, SC; Step Granddaughter Julie Ellen Bader of Camp Hill, PA; Great Grandsons: Jonathan James Prickett of Genoa, IL, Walter Warren Prickett of Nashville, TN; Step Grandsons: Jackson Ferenc and George Ferenc of Oswego, IL; Sister-in-Law: Julie DeYoung of West Chester, PA, and many dear nephews, nieces, and cousins. Jackie was predeceased by her beloved husband Roger Lee DeYoung.

Services: A memorial service will be held at a future date. Please call or text Mary Sue (DeYoung) Bader for information: (847) 542-4606.

In place of flowers, contributions may be made in Jacquelyn's memory to the Alzheimer's Foundation, <https://www.alzfdn.org>