Sarah Antoinette "Sally" Burke

Sarah Antoinette "Sally" Burke, 86, passed away Friday, June 1, 2012, at home with her family in Jackson, Mo. She was born November 20, 1925, in Colfax, Iowa, to Anton L. and Franciska M. Eickmann Horn. She and Thomas A. Burke, Jr., were married November 3, 1951, in Victor, Iowa. They moved from Iowa to Jackson in 1972 and had been married 42 years when Tom passed away May 9, 1994.

Sally was a loving wife and mother. She was a resolute prayer warrior, dedicated to living her Christian faith. Upon moving to Jackson, she became involved in parish work at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, and served in many capacities.

Sally enthusiastically volunteered with Project Charlie and Easter Seals, filed taxes for seniors, tutored adults, was a former member officer of BFW (Business & Professional Women), charter member and former president of PEO Chapter LA in Jackson, and hosted exchange students through SEMO University and was an avid bridge player in the community.

Loving survivors include five children, Sarah Canovan and son Ronald T. Canovan of Jackson, Tenn.; Tom (Gail) Burke III of St. Charles, Mo.; Mary (Ron) Borgschulte of St. Louis and their children Ryan Borgschulte of St. Louis and Claire Borgschulte (fiancé Nathan Wallace) of Cleveland, Ohio; Carolyn Burke of Jackson; and Paula Burke Walker and her daughters Karissa and Katie of Jackson.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a son, John Joseph Burke; a brother, Joseph Horn; four sisters, Rose Horn, Mary Katherine (Sister Pauline) Horn, Susan Anna (Sister Florita) Horn, Lucy Agnes (Sister Celene) Horn; and two infant brothers.

Friends called Sunday, June 3, from 4 to 8 PM, at McCombs Funeral Home and Cremation Center in Jackson. Deacon Walt Biri lead parish prayers at 7 PM, immediately followed with the Rosary led by the ladies of St. Ann Sodality.

Father John Harth officiated the funeral mass Monday, June 4, at 10 AM, at Immaculate Conception Church in Jackson.

Interment followed in Russell Heights Cemetery in Jackson.

Memorials may take the form of contributions to the American Heart Association or the Alzheimer’s Association.

Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.mccombsfuneralhome.com.