



Loretta J. Mangum

November 21, 1944 - February 1, 2026

Loretta Mangum, 81, of Hampshire, IL, passed away on February 1st, 2026. She was born November 21st, 1944, in Chicago, IL, the daughter of Joseph and Betty (Lusher) Van Den Bosch.

She found joy in diamond heart pictures, watching her Cardinals and Orioles, spending time on Facebook Messenger, collecting Fiesta wear, and loving carnations. She especially cherished caring for her tomato and pepper plants and tending her garden.

She is survived by her husband, John; her children, Tracy Leitsch and Jim (Julie) Mangum; her 10 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-grandchild.

Loretta is preceded in death by her parents; her son, John Jr.; her sister, Margaret Cline; her brothers, Joseph and James Van Den Bosch; her stepdad, John Mahoney; and son-in-law, Paul Leitsch.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, February 7th, at Fredrick Funeral Home, 284 Park St., Hampshire, IL, from 10:00 am to 12:30 pm, followed by a Memorial Service at 12:30 pm, officiated by Reverend Caleb Schauer.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in Loretta's name may be directed to the Huntley Animal Shelter.

Fredrick Funeral Home in Hampshire is assisting the family, for more information, please call (847)683-2711 or visit www.fredrickfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

FEB 7. 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

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Hampshire, IL 60140

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Tribute Wall

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“ Loretta was always a pleasure to talk to when I worked for John Fenzel and James Motors. Sometimes she was extremely feisty and other times a total sweetheart. I remember showing her how things worked in her car many, many times and she always thanked me for going over the features with her again and again. RIP Loretta.

Steve Stanley - February 07 at 08:26 AM

JD

“ Loretta was one of my favorite people on this planet. I loved her quick wit, goofy sense of humor & never ending need to find the next best deal. I will keep her in my heart always and forever. TIL we meet again my friend 🙏

Jennifer Danowski - February 05 at 03:19 PM

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“ Jennifer D. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Loretta J. Mangum.

Jennifer D. - February 05 at 03:15 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Loretta J. Mangum.



February 05 at 08:33 AM