



## Joyce Dee Waddell

August 27, 1931 - May 21, 2026

Joyce Dee Waddell was born on August 27, 1931 in Indianapolis, IN to Jerome and Alpha (Spencer) Hardey. She grew up in Indianapolis before her family moved to Clinton, IN where she graduated from High School.

In 1951, Joyce was united in marriage with James Waddell, and they made their home in Terre Haute, IN where they raised their five children. Joyce first focused on raising her children, and then later worked in banking. Joyce and James moved to Texas in 1991 and then settled in Nebraska in 2004.

In her free time, Joyce loved to do crafts such as crocheting and sewing, and she also enjoyed reading. She was full of energy and was a ball of fire, which helped her to run a clean and organized household. Joyce was always well put together; no one ever saw her without makeup. Before going out, she would style her hair, put on her makeup, and then give her hair a final check before she was ready. Joyce knew what was best, so she could be feisty, stubborn, and opinionated at times. She was also full of love and compassion and always acted as a caregiver to her family, whom she loved deeply.

Joyce was preceded in death by her parents, Jerome and Alpha Hardey; husband, James Waddell; grandson, Jared Waddell; great-grandson, Bruce Bostick III; daughter-in-law, Lisa Waddell; and brothers: Jerry, Bob, Jim, and Bill Hardey.

She is survived by her children: Mike (Laurie) Waddell, Steve Waddell, Dee Ann Waddell, Jim Waddell, and Laura (Rob) Flynn; grandchildren: Shawna (Glenn) Bostick-Bellamy, Maggie (Darrell) Karpinski, Eric Flynn, Seth Waddell, Tyler Flynn, Talon (Josi) Flynn, and Allissa Flynn; and great-grandchildren: Sierra Bostick, Britnei Bostick, Paige Flynn, Hannah Flynn, and Emily Flynn.

A private family service was held.