



## Catherine Virginia Rutledge-Ellis

November 28, 1924 - April 19, 2012

Catherine Virginia Rutledge-Ellis (Armstrong) was born on November 28, 1924 in St. Joseph, Missouri to Juanita and George Armstrong. Catherine was the fourth of six children (Oris, Georgia, Harriet, Roberta and Mary Ann). She relocated to Chicago, Illinois at an early age and attended Evanston Township High School.

Catherine was joined in holy matrimony to Albert T. Rutledge - July 1958, until he passed away in June 1971. Her second marriage was to Ernest (Pops) Ellis - November 1984, until he passed away in May 1995. She was blessed to have enjoyed a wonderful life with both Albert and Ernest.

Catherine retired from the U.S. Post Office after 20 years of devoted service. Prior to her employment at the post office, she was an entrepreneur and managed her own business.

Catherine dedicated her life to Jehovah and symbolized her dedication through water baptism on March 22, 1975 while attending the Gresham Congregation. She later attended the Auburn Park Congregation until the end of her life course, 37 years of service to Jehovah.

In October 2007, Catherine became severely ill and fell into a comatose state. Physicians summoned the family and stated that she will not recover.

However, she was a strong woman and had remarkable strength that thy underestimated. She recovered and was able to continue serving Jehovah in words and deed for the remainder of her life.

On April 19, 2012, Catherine fell asleep in death. She was preceded in death by both husbands, Albert Rutledge and Ernest Ellis; her parents; and her siblings.

Catherine leaves to cherish her memoires those who loved her, her six children, George, Michael, Joan, Alan, Gilbert and Brian; five daughter-in-laws, Gloria, Sandra, Eddie, Stephayne and Donnetta; sixteen grandchildren; nine great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Hope Cemetery

11500 South Fairfield  
Chicago, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 28. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses (101st)  
10134 South Vincennes Avenue  
Chicago, IL

## Service

APR 28. 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Catherine Virginia Rutledge-Ellis*

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