



Joyce M. Welch Ackerman

December 6, 1932 - December 16, 2025

JOYCE M. WELCH ACKERMAN, 93 of Sarasota passed away DEC. 16, 2025, after a short illness. She was born DEC. 6, 1932 in Moline, Il. to Thomas and Frieda Vogt Welch.

She graduated from Rock Island, Il. High School in 1950 and went on to receive a Bachelor of Science Degree in 1954 from Northwestern University. After graduation, she was employed in the Chicago area for five years with the American Medical Association. During that time she took flying lessons and obtained a Private Pilot's License. She then departed the United States for two tours in Vietnam working with the United States Agency for International Development.

In Vietnam she met her future husband, Colonel Albert Ackerman and they married in September of 1972. Together they traveled the world, both before and after Al's retirement. Along the way they acquired a parrot, "Seymour" who provided many hours of love and entertainment.

Joyce and Al finally settled permanently in Sarasota.

Joyce was predeceased by her parents and her husband Col. Albert Ackerman. She is survived by her stepdaughter Christine D. Morris and step granddaughter Jessica Roth.

Services for Joyce will be private.