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For part of Sonia's birthday celebration, we took her for lunch and shopping at Josephine's in Godfrey, Illinois. Afterwards, we took a long drive over Hwy 100, past Pere Marquette to 16 to Eldred Road to 350E to Haypress and back again to Pere Marquette for dinner. The ride was particularly fascinating after we passed Pere Marquette because of all the migrating fowl and groups of deer we saw. Hundreds of ducks floated along on the river's inlets, while hundreds and hundreds of other birds ascended on the fields. We also saw about eight different groups of deer up close either crossing the road in front of us or prancing through the woods along the road. If you are able to travel along a river or through a bird wildlife refuge, this is the time of year to enjoy the plentiful waterfowl.