



Mary Frances Schaffter

August 26, 1924 - September 1, 2020

Mary Frances Schaffter, age 96, of Tipton, passed away Tuesday, September 1, 2020, at Capital Region Medical Center in Jefferson City. She was born August 26, 1924, in Morgan County, a daughter of the late Aubrey and Elizabeth (Gerber) Aeschbacher.

On August 25, 1948, at the Bethel Mennonite Church, she was united in marriage to Glenn Schaffter, who preceded her in death on February 14, 1987.

Mary and Glenn founded Schaffter Equipment, a John Deere dealership in Tipton and Versailles in 1960. Later, in 2008, they sold the business to Sydenstricker's and she continued working there until her retirement in 2017.

She enjoyed going to tractor pulls and car races. Mary was also an avid basketball fan, especially high school and Mizzou.

She was a member of the Tipton First Christian Church.

She is survived by her son, Barry Schaffter and wife Becka of Spring Hill, Kansas; daughter-in-law, Cindy Schaffter of Tipton, Missouri; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; sister, Ellen Hofstetter of California, Missouri and many other relatives and friends. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her son, Michael Dean Schaffter and a brother-in-law, Don Hofstetter.

A private family graveside service and interment with social distancing and masks recommended will be held in the Tipton Masonic Cemetery with Pastor Frank Eastman officiating. A celebration of Mary's life will be held at a later date at the Tipton First Christian Church.

Arrangements are under the direction and care of the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Versailles.

Cemetery

Tipton Masonic Cemetery

West Adams Street

Tipton, MO,

Comments



“ Bill and Mary were Seniors and graduated from Versailles High School in 1943. We were neighbors to Mary and Glenn in Tipton and attended the same church for many years. Mary always had a smile for us and a warm hello. We cherished her friendship. She was a special lady.

Bill and Martha Moss

Lynne Spillars - September 04, 2020 at 07:46 PM



“ My family have valued their friendship with the Schaffer family for many years. I first met Mary when she brought Grandma Schaffter to the clinic in California where I worked. She was a very devoted and caring daughter in law at that time. I know she was just as devoted to all her family and customers. Frank still misses her answering the phone at the store. A life well lived and worthy of following her example. Sincere sympathy, Joy and Frank Gronstedt

Joy Gronstedt - September 04, 2020 at 05:52 PM



“ D & L Baumgartner lit a candle in memory of Mary Frances Schaffter



D & L Baumgartner - September 04, 2020 at 09:09 AM



“ Condolences to the Schaffter Family. We all should aspire to be as kind, generous and good hearted as Mary. She and Glenn were good friends of my family and I am proud to have known her. RIP Mary!

Diane Koerkenmeier - September 03, 2020 at 01:42 PM



“ One of the finest ladies I ever met. Her kindness to her family, her friends, her employees, and her co-workers was unmatched. Thanks to Cindy Schaffter for being such a great caretaker and special friend to Mary.

Dave Johansen - September 03, 2020 at 11:26 PM



“ Elvera Siegel lit a candle in memory of Mary Frances Schaffter



Elvera Siegel - September 03, 2020 at 01:33 PM



“ Marleen Gerber-Baker lit a candle in memory of Mary Frances Schaffter



Marleen Gerber-Baker - September 03, 2020 at 12:08 PM



“ Mary was a very special person in so many ways. She was a wonderful neighbor to my mother for many years. She was so good to support the school kids when they sold things for band or ag. She called me to ask about Haley when she was injured last summer. When it rained on Darren’s graduation , she made the meeting room at the store available for his lunch, with Pat’s assistance.

I’ve heard Brother Igo quoted by Willene many times that Mary was the nearest thing to an angel here on earth.

She will be greatly missed.

Harold and JoAnn Collier

joAnn Collier - September 03, 2020 at 08:51 AM