



Anita M. Kling

January 29, 1944 - February 21, 2024

Anita Marie Kling, age 80, of Barnett, passed away Wednesday, February 21, 2024, at Lake Regional Health System in Osage Beach. She was born January 29, 1944, in St. Louis, Missouri, daughter of the late Robert Heob and Doris Louise (Humphreys) Oberbeck.

In 1963, she married Donald Ray Watson and they had three children, Randall, Tandace and Brenda. They divorced in 1978. On June 13, 1996, at the Versailles United Methodist Church, she was united in marriage to her surviving husband, William "Bill" Kling.

Anita and Donald operated a four-hundred-acre catfish farm in Oklahoma for ten years. While living in Missouri, she taught art and the gifted program at Lebanon and California schools until her retirement. She had a passion for antiques, especially pieces she could repair or refinish. Anita currently had several booths at antique stores in Missouri. Anita was always active and busy. She and Bill have enjoyed square dancing together for many years.

She was an active member of the Versailles United Methodist Church where she served on the Pastor Parish Committee, United Methodist Women and assisted with the JAM after school children's ministry. Anita also enjoyed her breakfast and lunch fellowship with her friends every Tuesday and Saturday.

In addition to her husband, Bill, she is survived by her children, Randall Watson and wife Karen of Fredericksburg, Texas, Tandace Hunt and husband Jim of Round Rock, Texas and Brenda Womack and husband Wade of Johnson City, Texas; step-children, Charles William Kling and wife Anne of Germany and Jennifer Gutierrez and husband Marxi of Los Angeles, California; thirteen grandchildren; one great-grandchild; her brother, Richard Wayne Oberbeck and wife Judith Kay of Kansas City, Kansas; her sister, Kimberly Jo Berkley and husband Patrick James of St. Louis, Missouri and many other relatives and friends.

A celebration of Anita's life will be held at 1:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 24th, at the Versailles United Methodist Church with Pastor Pati Robertson officiating. A gathering and light buffet for family and friends will follow at 2:00 p.m. at Pioneer Restaurant in Versailles.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the Versailles United Methodist Church.

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

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

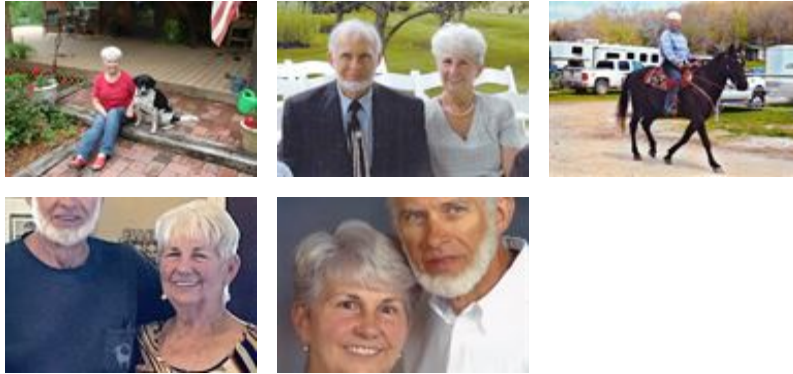
APR **24**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Versailles United Methodist Church
201 N. Monroe St.
Versailles, MO 65084

Tribute Wall



“ 28 files added to the album *Life Tributes* ”



Kidwell-Garber Funeral Homes - April 23, 2024 at 12:40 PM

NR

“ Will miss her smiling face. Always a positive attitude ”

Nancy Rau - February 29, 2024 at 09:45 AM

BC

“ Thinking of you, Bill. -Ken and Barbara Classen ”

Barbara Classen - February 27, 2024 at 06:23 PM

LD

“ Anita was one of the best square dancers. She knew the calls well and got me through some tough calls. Anita was also an elegant round dancer. Bill and I will miss dancing in a square with her. *Bill and Lana Dicus* ”

Lana Dicus - February 25, 2024 at 09:44 PM

CC

I became friends with Anita at Dogwood Vintiques in Jefferson City. I so enjoyed our many conversations of which she often spoke of her love of family. I will miss her terribly and know that my thoughts and prayers are with your entire family. She was a great lady!!

*Cheri Coats
The Warming House*

Cheri Coats - February 28, 2024 at 09:01 PM

RC

*Bill, I remember the visit I had with you and Anita not so long ago. A nice time together. Love and prayers.
Ron and Betty Classen*

Ron Classen - February 28, 2024 at 11:43 PM