



Dorothy May Baumgartner

May 21, 1926 - November 12, 2015

Dorothy May Baumgartner, 89, died Thursday, November 12, 2015, at the Good Shepherd Care Center in Versailles, Missouri.

She was born Dorothy May Hilty on May 21, 1926, in Versailles, a daughter of Rev. Peter P. Hilty and Barbara Koller Hilty.

Dorothy married Edmond D. Baumgartner on August 22, 1948, at Bethel Mennonite Church in Fortuna, Missouri.

She and Ed were active members of the Bethel Mennonite Church. Dorothy was involved in Women In Mission, Children's Sunday School and Vacation Bible School.

As well as being an avid member of the church, she was also active in the local community. Dorothy taught sewing and cooking for the local 4H. She was a columnist for the Versailles Leader-Statesman for 60 years writing the 'Bethel News' depicting life in the community and a story or two describing the days she grew up.

Dorothy began writing poetry at a very young age and it grew to be one her hobbies. She enjoyed writing poems about the people she knew and for many occasions. Dorothy was known as a great storyteller. Her stories held little

lessons, created on the spot.

She was a gracious, thoughtful person who connected with both young and old and whomever passed through her life. She always had a cheerful disposition and seemed to have never met a stranger. She was cared about by relatives, the church and the community at large.

Dorothy was completely devoted to her husband over many years, caring for him, her family, and all those around her.

She is survived by a son David Baumgartner and his wife Marsha, two daughters, Diane Bruemmer and her husband Ed and Debbie Baumgartner. Also surviving are three granddaughters, Christy, Erin, and Kay and great-grandson, Owen.

The visitation will be held on Tuesday, November 17th from 5:00 - 7:00 pm. at Kidwell Garber Funeral Home, Versailles, MO.

The funeral will be held on Wednesday, November 18th at 11:00 a.m. at Bethel Mennonite Church, Fortuna, MO.

Any donations to be given to Bethel Mennonite Church, Fortuna, MO.

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

Cemetery Details

Bethel Cemetery

37830 Bethel Church Road
Fortuna, MO 65034

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 17. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home - Versailles Chapel
207 North Monroe St.
Versailles, MO 65084
(573) 378-4655

Service

NOV 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

Bethel Mennonite Church
37830 Bethel Church Rd.
Fortuna, MO 65034

Tribute Wall

DE

“ I did not personally know Dorothy but enjoyed her Bethel news so much. I always looked forward to reading it as I knew so many from working in middle school.
God bless her family and friends.

Delores Edgerton - November 17, 2015 at 03:34 PM

NG

“ I always enjoyed going to the Bethel church picnics in their "timber" by the creek. Your mother was a wonderful story teller and yes, her eyes twinkled! My condolences to you David, Marsha, Diane, Ed and Debbie and families. May Jesus comfort you.

Naomi Gingerich - November 17, 2015 at 12:58 PM

TE

“ Sending prayers of comfort, Debbie, to you and your family.

Tenessa - November 17, 2015 at 09:36 AM

CO

“ Words can not express my appreciation of being able to squeeze aunt Dorothy one last time. I use to think...she is MY aunt. I was and am so proud to have been her neice and have had so much contact with her as a child and the special visits when I came home. Hearing SO many people's memories and seeing people's post about this precious lady I am reminded how she was a friend to all and was a servant to the God she served so faithfully. She was indeed a gift to us all. To the immediate family I sympathize with you dear cousins. There is never a good time to lose a parent. To the rest of us, hearts are sad but to be absent in the body is to be present with the Lord. What more could we ask? Coleen Hilty Swanson



Coleen - November 17, 2015 at 08:02 AM

SR

“ David, you and your family are in Bonnie's and my thoughts and prayers.

Steve Rasmussen - November 16, 2015 at 06:37 PM



Thanks Steve, she was a winderful lasy.
Hope you and Bonnie are enjoying the vacation.

Dave Baumgartner - November 18, 2015 at 06:17 AM

David
Krehbiel

“ David, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your sisters and the extended family in the loss of your Mother. It is good to know that she is in the hands of our Lord and Savior David and Dana Krehbiel.

David Krehbiel - November 16, 2015 at 11:27 AM

DB

Thanks Dave she was a wonderful lady, i owe her a lot..

David Baumgartner - November 16, 2015 at 06:24 PM

NL

“ *Dorothy always had a twinkle in her eyes that mirrored her spirit! Many Bible studies I shared in her home (whoopie pies usually fresh on the counter upon arrival). She had the most gracious spirit, her heart was pure in love, compassion and hospitality. She is and will be missed truly.*

~blessings to all who loved her as well.

Nita Loganbill

Nita Loganbill - November 14, 2015 at 12:03 PM

Debbie
Mccollom

“ *Debbie Mccollom lit a candle in memory of Dorothy May Baumgartner*



Debbie Mccollom - November 13, 2015 at 07:24 PM

Debbie
Mccollom

“ *Growing up at Bethel Church I remember your mom she was the sweetest lady. The farm visits and the birthday cards she always sent. The fourth of July picnics in the woods where Bethel had them. Many wonderful memories of your mom. Debbie ,David and Diane you are in our thoughts and prayers. David ,Debbie (Gerber) McCollom*



Debbie Mccollom - November 13, 2015 at 07:23 PM

MA

“ *David, Diane & Debbie; Your mother was a wonderful lady and was always so kind to me and my family. She never forgot my birthday, always a birthday card no matter where I was living. When my parents were killed she was one of the first ones to be at their home with us. I know you will miss her terribly but I am so happy for her to have gone to her heavenly home. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your families during this time. Marleen Gerber-Baker*

Marleen - November 13, 2015 at 04:34 PM



Thanks Marleen, she, as your parents were, was a shining example to a simpler and kinder life. Long may we remember what they taught us.

Dave Baumgartner - November 23, 2015 at 06:48 AM

MM

“ *Michele Miller lit a candle in memory of Dorothy May Baumgartner*



Michele Miller - November 13, 2015 at 12:01 PM



Your mother was the sweetest lady. She always remember my birthday cards and I remember being at your farm to. And I remember growing up at Bethel Church with her there. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Heaven has a new angel. David, Debbie (Gerber) McCollom

Debbie Mccollom - November 13, 2015 at 07:15 PM