



Elizabeth Leteux

March 6, 1919 - November 3, 2020

ELIZABETH LETEUX

B. Elizabeth (Barnes) Stevens Leteux passed away on Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at the age of 101 to go home and be reunited with all her cherished heavenly family. Elizabeth was born on March 6, 1919 in Havelock, Nebraska to Walter M. and Georgia G. (Pickering) Barnes.

When she was four years old, her parents moved to Albany, Missouri. She attended the Albany schools for ten years. When Elizabeth was still in high school, her family moved back to the Albany, Missouri area and had a small farm. Elizabeth graduated from Worth, Missouri High School in 1937.

Elizabeth met her future husband Gilbert Jackson "Jack" Stevens in January 1938. They were married on March 4, 1938. To this union, two children were born, Jacqueline S. (Stevens) Leathers and Don G. Stevens.

Jack worked in heavy construction and they moved around a lot with his job, but finally settled in North Kansas City, Missouri in 1953. After seeing their children graduate from Kansas City and start families of their own, Jack and Elizabeth moved to Gravois Mills, Missouri, in 1971. In Gravois they owned Gravois Mills trailer park and enjoyed putting down roots in the lake area. Jack passed away unexpectedly in May 1977. Elizabeth continued her early bookkeeping career she had started in Kansas City, keeping books for

Henderson Marina. She also worked for and attended the Gravois United Methodist Church and worked for Wini's Fashions in Versailles and eventually, Laurie.

Elizabeth moved to Springfield, Missouri in 1994. There she met Louis C. Leteux. They were married November 30, 1997 and she enjoyed being welcomed into Louis' family, learning about and attending the Catholic Church he went to, and also became a faithful St. Louis Cardinals baseball fan. After Louis passed away in April 24, 2000. She kept busy gardening in her flower beds and watching her Cardinals.

Elizabeth moved to Lee's Summit, Missouri in 2014. Even though her eyesight was declining, she learned to play washers and Wii bowling and became very good at it. She was always among the first chosen by her friends for their team. Elizabeth adopted the Kansas City Royals when she moved to the Kansas City area.

Elizabeth loved sewing, knitting, cooking, travel and painting. She will always be remembered as a talented and accomplished oil painter. Her family hears stories of how people all over the region have received or purchased one of her many paintings and enjoy her artwork today. She was involved in her church family and sang in the choir. During her lifetime, she participated in many clubs and organizations: Golden Oaks Garden Club, Brush and Palette Club of Camdenton, Missouri, VFW Auxiliary Post #5178 of Gravois Mills, Missouri, Business and Professional Women, and most recently became a member of the Blue Springs Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

Elizabeth was baptized in The First Christian (DOC) Church of Albany, Missouri. She was a member of the Gravois Mills United Methodist Church and the Asbury United Methodist Church in Springfield, Missouri.

Elizabeth was preceded in death by her first husband, Jack Stevens; second husband, Louis Leteux; her parents, Walter and Georgia; sister, Mary Ruth Long Marler; brothers, John Edgar Barnes and Raymond W Barnes; step-son, Francis Leteux; son and daughter-in-law, Don Stevens and Sharon K. (Edwards) Stevens; son-in-law, Charles W Leathers and sister-in-law, Ellen Barnes.

She is survived by her daughter, Jacqueline S. (Stevens) Leathers, Independence, Missouri; step-daughters, Martha Carson, Springfield, Missouri and Mary Louise Walker, St. Louis, Missouri; daughter-in-law, April Stevens, Springfield, Missouri; sister-in-law, June Barnes, Sedalia, Missouri; brother-in-law, Jerry Marler, Mt. Ayr, Iowa; seven grandchildren, Sharon (Leathers) Hiebert, Jeff Leathers, Dianna (Leathers) Bartee, Loren Leathers, Dawn (Stevens) Bush, Debra (Stevens) Crum and Andrew Stevens; nine great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; one great-great-great-grandchild; eight step-grandchildren; nine step-great-grandchildren and many, many nieces and nephews, relatives and friends who will miss her immensely.

Graveside services will be at 11:00 a.m., Monday, November 9, 2020 at Ozark Chapel Cemetery in Laurie, Missouri. Visitation will be from 9:30-11:00 a.m., Monday at Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel, Laurie, Missouri.

The family suggests donations to the American Cancer Society in honor of Elizabeth's brother, John Edgar Barnes, her son Don Stevens and her Daughter-in-Law Sharon Kay Stevens

Arrangements are under the care and direction of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.

Cemetery Details

Ozark Chapel Cemetery

305 North Main Street
Gravois Mills, MO 65037

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 9. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home - Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel
417 Silvey Rd.
Laurie, MO 65038
(573) 374-7688

Graveside Service

NOV 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

Ozark Chapel United Methodist Church
305 N. Main St.
Laurie, MO 65038

Tribute Wall

JC

“ I have one of Elizabeth's paintings hanging in my entry way. I won it many years ago at some drawing in Gravois Mills. I love original art and it has always been very special to me since I also knew the artist's family. What a wonderful life she lived and a great legacy she left behind. Prayers.

Janice Clark - November 09, 2020 at 09:28 PM

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“ Elizabeth was one of my mom (pat Walters) friends. She and Gertrude Bias had lots of great times together. Especially shopping in Columbia while the men had appointments at the VA hospital. Elizabeth and my mom loved painting together. I loved to listen to my mom retell about all there shenanigans. She will be missed

Sue Avis - November 06, 2020 at 09:35 PM