



## Geraldine M. "Gerri" Beard

June 11, 1929 - June 21, 2022

Geraldine "Gerri" M. Beard, age 93, of Laurie, passed away Tuesday, June 21, 2022, at her home. She was born June 11, 1929, in Gerald, Missouri, daughter of the late John Henry and Eugenia Maude (Ogg) Grob.

On January 25, 1958, in St. Louis, she was united in marriage to Raymond W. Beard, who preceded her in death on February 1, 2009.

Gerri lived in Centralia for forty years, the Kirksville area for eleven years and retired to the Lake of the Ozarks. She worked at the Westside Senior Center in Laurie for many years. Gerri was a member of the West Lake Christian Church and also attended Crossroads Assembly of God Church. She was an active member of her churches, community and cancer support group.

She is survived by her children, Karen Swanson and husband Terry of Yorkville, Illinois, Gail Renick of Laurie, Missouri, Gena Davidson and husband Carl of St. Louis, Missouri, Brenda Bell of Columbia, Missouri and Angela Beard of Laurie, Missouri; step-children, Ray Beard, Debbie McQuaid, Sandi Beard and Vicky Koonley; grandchildren, Tim Swanson and wife Tammy, Shawn Reynolds and wife Cheryl, Michelle Howell and husband Brian, Melanie Stinson and husband Brad, Andrew Prewett and wife Allyson, Alan Davidson and wife Cheryl, Zach Davidson and wife April, Adam Rievley, Erin Raleigh and husband D.J., Amy Rievley, Cheryl Kirby and husband Chris,

Julie Hampton and husband Shawn, Lester Cornelius and husband Chris, Jeremy Hoskins and wife Jen and Lauren Barry; thirty-seven great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren with one on the way and many other relatives and friends. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her siblings, Jeanne Sudholt, Charles Grob and Thelma Boice and her grandchildren, Michelle Salzkorn, Jonathan Rievley and Anthony Tyne.

A celebration of Gerri's life will be held at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 28th, at the West Lake Christian Church in Laurie with the Reverends Chance McMullin and Kevin Hauk officiating. The family will receive friends from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m., at the church.

A private graveside service will be held with Reverend Kevin Hauk officiating. A visitation will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 29th, at Rocky Fork Fellowship, 12095 Route B, Hallsville, Missouri 65255.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the West Lake Christian Church, Crossroads Assembly of God Church, the American Cancer Society or Lake Regional Hospice.

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **28**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

West Lake Christian Church  
936 Highway O  
Laurie, MO 65037

## Celebration of Life

JUN **28**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Gerri has welcomed me into the family when we finally got to meet Ray. She was always very caring to everyone. So many wonderful memories of all the times with the family. She was a wonderful Christen person. I know she will be missed by so many family members and friends.

Vicky Koonley - June 27, 2022 at 03:36 PM

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“ My name is Kendall rievley and I'm her great granddaughter My memories that I will miss the most are her jokes she always told me and my sisters, when I would suck my thumb she would put hot sauce on it so I would quite sucking my thumb but really I would just eat it off now I like hot sauce. She will be missed very much and I will always love her sincerely kendLI

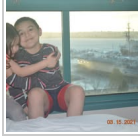


Melody Hoover - June 26, 2022 at 07:19 PM



“ We didn't know her as well as our other siblings, however we did learn from personal experiences how a strong, dedicate, caring and loving person she was. It was family strong, and she made sure Dad understood this! She was a human being that put all social values aside and placed respect on the individual. She would provide the benefit of doubt and trust to go with it. She didn't know us from a "hill of beans" yet accepted us to the family without any doubt and gave us lots of respect. It didn't take long for us to love her and our new family. We will miss her.....

Ray Beard - June 25, 2022 at 10:36 PM



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*Great grandkids she never met....*

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**Ray Beard** - June 25, 2022 at 10:20 PM

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“ *Sympathy and prayers to Gerri's entire family. In the few years we have attended WLCC I knew Gerri as a woman of fervent and regular prayer and for her deep love of and commitment to her family. When she led the Monday prayer group she was always deeply concerned about the details of each person we were praying for. She loved God and all His people. May she rejoice with Her God! Norma Johnson*

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**Norma Johnson** - June 23, 2022 at 02:45 PM