



Laura Nell Alice (Hess) Calton

March 7, 1926 - February 3, 2022

Laura Nell Alice (Hess) Calton, age 95, of Versailles, passed away peacefully in her sleep, surrounded by her family, on February 3, 2022. She was born March 7, 1926, in Barnett, Missouri, to Roy and Annie (Kistner) Hess, but was raised by her maternal grandparents Walter Scott and Ora Etta Kistner.

On March 9, 1945, she was united in marriage to John Edward Calton, Jr. To this union twelve children were born. Together they shared forty-six years of marriage before his passing on October 14, 1992.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, her grandparents, son Kerry Donald Calton, and two grandchildren, Timothy Lynn Calton and James Lamar Beckner.

She is survived by eleven of her twelve children, Leora Dillon of Sedalia, MO, Ella Mae and Jaime Oyler of Lee Summit, MO, Kathy and Larry Beckner of Wellington, MO, Randy Calton of Versailles, MO, Kay Anne and Bill Reithbaum of Harrisburg, AR, Daniel Calton of Braymer, MO, Darrel and Kay Calton of Versailles, MO, Dennis Calton and friend Sherry of Kansas City, MO, Denzil Calton of Versailles, MO, Robin and Mitch Pottorff of Ionia, MO and Mike and Stephanie Calton of Clarksburg, MO; 49 grandchildren; 61 great-grandchildren with one more on the way and 1 great-great-grandchild with one more on the way.

She was a 1945 graduate of Versailles High School. She worked at Primo Pants Factory, the Versailles Apple Orchard, was a custodian at Versailles High School and worked at several turkey barns, gathering eggs, but most of her adult life was spent raising her 12 children while helping on the farm and helping with her grandchildren.

Laura Nell spent many hours reading, bird watching and playing cards with family. She loved music and was a great dancer; the Jitterbug, Charleston and tap dance were some of her favorites. She knew many funny songs and loved to perform. She was a Christian and led the church choir at Mt. Nebo church for many years. She loved flowers, red and purple were her favorite colors.

She was a kind, sweet mom and will be missed dearly by her family.

Visitation will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Wednesday, February 9th, at the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Versailles with services to follow at Noon with Reverend Danny Owsley officiating. Graveside services and interment will follow in the Versailles Cemetery.

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

Cemetery Details

Versailles Cemetery

550 Clay Road
Versailles, MO 65084

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 9. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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

Service

FEB 9. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Virginia Espinosa lit a candle in memory of Laura Nell Alice (Hess) Calton



Virginia Espinosa - February 08, 2022 at 08:47 AM

LY

“ Lynda lit a candle in memory of Laura Nell Alice (Hess) Calton



Lynda - February 07, 2022 at 10:11 AM

SS

“ Sam) Sumner lit a candle in memory of Laura Nell Alice (Hess) Calton



Sam) Sumner - February 05, 2022 at 07:10 PM

SS

“ Sam (Shirley) Sumner lit a candle in memory of Laura Nell Alice (Hess) Calton



Sam (Shirley) Sumner - February 05, 2022 at 07:09 PM

SH

“ *A beautiful soul inside and out..I will miss her*

shawn - February 04, 2022 at 06:41 PM

BA

“ *Beautiful Lady inside and out. Our Hearts were touched with her smile. Laura Nell was like a Mother to me. So many good times playing cards, having dinners and being with her family. I know she is in Heaven not with my Mother.*

Barbara - February 04, 2022 at 11:26 AM