



Marie Dooley

July 15, 1938 - February 16, 2025

MARIE DOOLEY

Marie Rose (Gromowsky) Dooley, age 86, of Sunrise Beach, Missouri, passed away February 16, 2025 at Lake Regional Hospital, Osage Beach, Missouri. She was born July 15, 1938 in St Joseph, Missouri, a daughter of Samuel and Alice (Abbott) Gromowsky.

She graduated high school in Louisville, Kentucky where she lived with her cousin, Carleen (Abbott) Lawrence and later returned to Kansas City. She worked for Moore Business Forms and Mid-America Lumbermens Association (formerly Southwest Lumbermens Association), as a secretary.

On August 18, 1973, she was united in marriage to Leroy Dooley; they shared fifty-one years of marriage. Together they had a son, John, that kept them on the run with various activities and sports. She also enjoyed being involved in the lives and families of her step-daughters Leana Bresnahan and Kari Larsen.

In earlier years, she was interested in traveling and bowling. She very much looked forward to attending the yearly Gromowsky Family Reunion. She loved her pet cats Willie, Jaycee, and the multiple outdoor cats around the lake house.

Marie was a member of the Lady Elks Lodge #2705 where she enjoyed playing cards, darts, shuffleboard and socializing. She was a lifelong member of the Catholic Church and regularly attended St Patrick's in Laurie, MO. In the past, she helped behind the scenes at the Sunrise Beach Little Theater and was a member of the Clown Group. Marie could always be found watching the Chiefs and Royals games when they were on.

Survivors include her husband, Leroy Dooley; children, John Dooley (Michelle), Leana Bresnahan (Ken) and Kari Larsen (Arne); siblings, Ann Clark (Jim), Sam Gromowsky (Mary), Chuck Gromowsky (Rita) and Ike Gromowsky (Judy); grandchildren, Abigail Dooley, Kiersten Dooley, Jackson Dooley, Merritt Ware, Lauren Bresnahan, Kailyn Martoccio, Theresa Larsen, Heidi Larsen, Evan Larsen and Tori Larsen; several great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brothers, Bill Gromowsky (Kathryn) and Robert Gromowsky (infant).

A celebration of life service will be held at 12:00 p.m., Saturday, March 8, 2025 at Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service in the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Osage Community Elks Lodge #2705 Christmas Basket Program. (174 Elk's Rd, Gravois Mills, MO 65037)

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

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 8. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

PM

“ *Rest in peace my dear friend...*



Preston (Pepsi) Moore - March 16, 2025 at 03:22 PM

BG

“ *Marie was a special friend. We first met in Kansas City, Mo many years ago, and kept in touch off and on as our lives permitted. I can think of no one other than Marie who was always there for me when I needed someone to talk to. Even when my husband and I moved to Wichita, Kansas, we still found time to visit with Marie and Leroy, as the years went by. I have now lived in Colorado Springs for 9 yrs. Since then we stayed in touch by phone or letters. She will be greatly missed, and I will always have fond memories of Marie. Betty Griner*

Betty Griner - March 03, 2025 at 08:56 PM

KW

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. My family and myself have such good memories of spending time at the lake with Marie. She was always so welcoming and had patience of a saint when 6 children would be invading her home. She will be missed.*

Kelly Waller - February 19, 2025 at 11:16 AM