



## Mary Bray

October 13, 1932 - September 10, 2024

### MARY BRAY

Mary Agnes Bray, age 91, of Sunrise Beach, Missouri, passed away Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at her home. She was born October 13, 1932 in Leavenworth, Kansas, a daughter of Francis Samuel and Sarah Louise (Harris) Shaffer.

On October 3, 1953 at Ramey Air Force Base in Puerto Rico, she was united in marriage to Beryle William "Buck" Bray. Together they shared forty-one years of marriage before his passing on March 12, 1995.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; three siblings, John J. Shaffer, Frances L. Conners and Thomas E. Shaffer and a grandson, Michael A. Bray.

Survivors include eight children, Michael Bray and wife Darlene of Hanna City, Illinois, Michelle Taylor and husband Jim of Grand Prairie, Texas, Marlene Merritt and husband Marvin of Arkansas City, Kansas, Mark Bray of Sunrise Beach, Missouri, Rhonda Friesz and husband Doug of McLouth, Kansas, Yvonne Liggins of Leavenworth, Kansas, Anita Mark and husband Jeff of Viborg, South Dakota and Melanie Glidewell and husband Rick of Excelsior Springs, Missouri; eighteen grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren

and great-great grandchildren.

Mary was raised in Leavenworth, Kansas and other than brief stints with her husband at Air Force Bases in Puerto Rico and Topeka, lived there until 1990. Mary and Beryle retired to the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri where she was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church and active in the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary. She worked as a secretary for many years, but her most important job was being a homemaker and mother. In her spare time, she enjoyed crossword puzzles, ceramics, crocheting and quilting.

Mass of Christian burial will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, September 14, 2024 at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Laurie, Missouri. Visitation will be from 10:00-11:00 a.m., Saturday at the church.

Graveside services and burial will be held at 1:00 p.m., Monday, September 16, 2024 at Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Leavenworth, Kansas.

Memorial donations may be made to The National Shrine of Mary, Mother of the Church or the American Cancer Society.

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

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Calvary Cemetery

1011 Desoto Road  
Leavenworth, KS 66043

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **14.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Catholic Church  
176 Marian Dr.  
Gravois Mills, MO 65037  
<http://www.stpatrickcatholicchurch.org>

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## Graveside Service

SEP **16.** 1:00 PM (CT)

Mt. Calvary Cemetery  
1011 Desoto Road  
Leavenworth, KS 66043



# Tribute Wall

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“ *My sincere condolences to the Bray family, especially Mike and Michelle. I went to grade school with them at Immaculate Conception here in Leavenworth. My name is Jani Graf Christoffersen and my husband is Alan. We both went to school with them. May your wonderful mother rest in piece. God Bless.*

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**Jani Christoffersen** - September 12, 2024 at 02:30 PM