



## Mattie Lee Miller

December 28, 1921 - May 16, 2016

Mattie Lee Miller, age 94, of Versailles, passed away Monday, May 16, 2016, at the Good Shepherd Care Center in Versailles. She was born December 28, 1921, in Louisiana, a daughter of the late Joe and Docia Williams.

On May 29, 1940, she was united in marriage to William D. Miller, who preceded her in death on February 14, 2003.

She and Bill owned and operated Miller's Shady Rest Resort in Laurie for many years.

Mattie was a very active member of the Business Professional Women's Association and was also a member of the Morgan County Democratic Club.

She enjoyed ceramics, reading and completing cross word puzzles. Mattie also enjoyed writing. She wrote a column titled, "Matt's Maunderings", for many years in the Versailles Leader-Statesman newspaper.

She is survived by a niece, whom she raised as a daughter, Sue Boone and husband Dave of Gravois Mills; a sister-in-law, Winona Miller of Versailles and several nieces and nephews who loved her very much. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her sisters, Opal Love and Ollie Mae Parsons.

“This bird in the gilded cage will be singing in a new world”.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m., Thursday, May 19th, at the Kidwell-Garber Funeral Home in Versailles with Pastor Lora Cunningham officiating. Graveside services and interment will follow in the Versailles Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m., Thursday, at the funeral home.

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

MAY 19. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

MAY 19. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“*Mattie and I had a special relationship. I was not only her political candidate in 1990 that she created ads for, or her insurance agent for 25 years, I was her friend. I already miss her. I loved her stories of how she and "the love of her life" Bill met. He was so impressed that she could ride a bicycle backwards! They were truly a love story, and one that continues to inspire me. Her upbeat spirit and unusual use of the English language always made me smile. Her consistent delivery of goodies to the office kept me always in debt to her kindness. My friend, Mattie, composed a beautiful poem from my information. It was of my Dad's life on the occasion of his 80th birthday. She was truly gifted with rhyme. I didn't see her enough in the end but will treasure the many visits through the years. She truly is the definition of "one of a kind".*

*Sherry (Nielsen) Biron*

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**Sherry Biron** - May 20, 2016 at 08:41 AM



“*Aunt Matt was my Dad's half brother's wife. She definitely knew what it meant to "March by the beat of a different drum". She was unique and encouraged me to be a leader and not a follower. I have found memories of singing in the church choir with her as well as playing bells. I so enjoying her fried pies that she made for our family reunions. I don't think I ever told her that I was a Republican. I think I would have got a scolding. I remember voting at the polls and she explained to me that I could just mark the democrat ticket at the top of my ballot. I haven't seen her in several years but she will always have a place in my heart and a she will always be a vivid memory of my childhood. I pray she is with Uncle Bill now like old times.*

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**Christa Miller-Bonds** - May 17, 2016 at 05:00 PM