



Nancy W. Roach

April 24, 1933 - April 13, 2026

Nancy W. Roach, age 92, of Gravois Mills, passed away Monday April 13, 2026 at Lake Regional Hospital in Osage Beach. She was born April 24, 1933, in Superior, Wisconsin, a daughter of the late George and Dorothy (Woods) Kornstad.

After graduating from Superior East High School, she worked at Northwestern Bell Telephone Company in Minneapolis. She married John Corbett, who preceded her in death, and had ten children during their marriage: She is survived by daughters, Nicole Wang, Jean Corbett, Patricia Acton, Catherine Horner, Mary Ferguson, Kelly Chronister, Julie Corbett and Lori Proctor, 16 grandchildren and 28 great grandchildren and 4 great-great grandchildren, a brother, George Kornstad and her husband, John Roach.

Along with her first husband John Corbett, she was preceded in death by her sons John A. Corbett and Michael A. Corbett.

She married John Roach in Kansas City and worked at McDonalds restaurants as a manager for several years until retirement. Nancy and John Roach built a vacation home at Lake of the Ozarks where they spent most weekends until they retired and moved permanently to the Ozarks Lake. Nancy loved the water since she grew up on the shores of Lake Superior in Wisconsin and enjoyed boating and fishing in retirement. She loved going to

the American Legion where she enjoyed visiting with friends and neighbors. Her favorite restaurant was Little Vinny's Cafe in nearby Laurie where she was known as Mama Nancy. She was a Kansas City Royals fan and she attended many games and watched them on TV. She was also a Green Bay Packers football fan. As a child her father took her to see the Packers practice in Superior where they held preseason training camp for many years. She is missed by all who knew her, especially her husband John to whom she was married for 47 years.

Per her wishes, cremation is under the care and direction of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel. A Celebration of Life is scheduled at 2:00 p.m. on May 9, 2026, at Little Vinny's Cafe and Lounge, 713 N. Main St. Laurie, Mo. 65038.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 9. 2:00 PM (CT)

Little Vinny's Cafe and Lounge
713 N. Main St.
Gravois Mills, MO 65037

Tribute Wall

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Family - April 28 at 01:59 PM

FA

“ Five generations celebrating Nancy's 90th birthday!



Family - April 28 at 12:19 PM

JL

“ I did not know Nancy very well but am so grateful for her life as without her we would not have her daughter Cathy in our lives. so Thank You Nancy for the gift you gave us

judy Lovelace - April 25 at 10:55 AM

AN

“ Nancy was a woman of many strengths that one could not possibly fathom the depth of her soul let alone her determination and the courage to be true to herself no matter what the world threw at her and faced it always with a sort of infectious smile that surely meant trouble for the trouble.

As she passes into the next journey may we all remember her with a gentle grace and warmth that she would ask of us even in our simplest of troubles.

Anonymous - April 24 at 07:27 PM

AG

“ My grandmother was so kind. I spent many years with her going to the lake. Spending summers with her. Staying with her when my grandfather would have to leave town for work. When my mom was at work I would go to her house after school. She would have something hot for me to eat. We would have an early dinner because Grandpa went to work so early. She would always make sure to hug and kiss me every time she saw me. She made sure I felt her unconditional love. She always let me climb in bed with her as a kid and never told me no. Every time there was a school event she would bring McDonald's and she would let me come behind the counter and make my own ice cream cone. She just loved me. Loved me unconditionally. I

My heart and soul hurt for the loss of her smile. Her giggle. Her stories. She was one of a kind. I love you grandma. Forever. Love,
Your grandson.

Angel Gibson - April 23 at 05:48 PM

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Family - April 22 at 04:30 PM

SF

“ Nancy and John introduced me to my late husband. Will be forever grateful to them. Nancy and I worked together at McDonald's. She was a very special lady to me. Fly high my friend! Will miss you always. Love Susie Fuqua

Susie fuqua - April 21 at 11:39 AM

SH

“ She was a beautiful lady will miss her!

Susann Huff - April 20 at 05:39 PM

CH

“ Catherine Horner lit a candle in memory of Nancy W. Roach



Catherine Horner - April 20 at 02:56 PM

NK

“ Thanks for being a special friend!



Nancy Kuhn - April 18 at 06:09 PM

JR

“ 1 file added to the album Nancy Roach



john roach - April 16 at 11:22 AM