



## Sara E. Ousley

September 30, 1940 - March 26, 2025

Sara E. Ousley was born September 30, 1940, in Crofton, Nebraska, the third child of Ralph and Winifred Knudnson Wakeley. Sara passed away peacefully on March 26, 2025, in Jefferson City, Missouri at Capital Region Medical Center.

Sara is survived by a son, Mike Braden and a daughter Christine Koch, along with four grandchildren, Mickey Braden, Gabriel Lamberton, Nathan Koch and Allison Koch and three great-grandchildren, James Braden, Olivia Braden and Jaxon Braden.

Sara is survived by two sisters, Betsy Kester and Maribeth Eisenmann, along with two brothers, Ned Wakeley and Matt "Butch" Wakeley, along with twenty-two nieces and nephews. Preceding her in death are her two sisters, Alice Sloan and Marcia Gustafson, and one brother David Myron "Mike" Wakeley.

Sara was a loving mother, a retired art teacher, a gracious hostess, faithful friend, and wonderful sister to her seven siblings. She was an artist of all kinds, including painting both oil and watercolors, along with wood carving. She enjoyed entertaining, dining out, dancing, and thrift shopping.

Sara treasured her log home and little farm. She enjoyed the peace and tranquility it provided over the years. Sara was never without a variety of

animals and plants that she tended.

Sara will be missed by her family, especially by Betsy as they talked nightly before bed, and her dear friends, Francine Pettyjohn and Rita Nolting of many years.

At her request there will be no formal funeral services. At a later time, the family will celebrate her life privately. Any memorial donations may be sent to the Stover Animal Rescue in her honor as Sara loved all animals, even strays who were lucky enough to find her.

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ Vickie Narr lit a candle in memory of Sara E. Ousley



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**Vickie Narr** - April 30, 2025 at 02:17 AM

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*This is for all the animals you helped !*

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**Vickie Narr** - April 30, 2025 at 02:20 AM

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“ I met Sara thru the Love of animals ! She will be truely Missed especially by all the animals.

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**Vickie Narr** - April 30, 2025 at 02:17 AM