



Tabitha Swab

November 19, 1936 - October 22, 2018

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Tabitha Catherine Swab, 81, of Kansas City, Missouri, formerly of Sunrise Beach, Missouri, passed away Monday, October 22, 2018 in her home. She was born November 19, 1936 in Everett, Washington, a daughter of Ballard Matthew and Aloysia Lucille (Juneau) Kesner.

On July 21, 1956, at the Visitation Church in Kansas City, Missouri, she was united in marriage to James Raymond "Jim" Swab. Together they shared fifty-seven years of marriage before his passing on August 19, 2013.

She was also preceded in death by her parents and a brother, James Matthew Kesner.

Survivors include her sons, Stephen M. Swab and wife Susan of Olathe, Kansas, James G. Swab and wife Lisa of Beebe, Arkansas and Joseph A. Swab of Warrensburg, Missouri; daughters, Theresa C. Hiemenz and husband Paul of Mission Hills, Kansas and Andrea L. Bogert and husband David of Lee's Summit, Missouri; grandchildren, Nicholas, Joshua, Jacqueline, Joseph, Jr., Haris, Samuel and Grace; seven great-grandchildren and many other relatives and friends.

Tabitha was raised in Tecumseh, Missouri and was a graduate of Gainesville High School. She moved to Kansas City to work for Westinghouse and while there met and married Jim. They made their home in Kansas City where she was a homemaker, worked as a bookkeeper at Twin Oaks on the Plaza and later was an activities director at two different retirement communities. They moved to the Lake of the Ozarks in 1981 where she spent many years as an activities director for Laurie Care Center.

She was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church while at the lake and was able to receive sacraments at her home in Kansas City as her health declined.

She loved and cherished her family and friends. She welcomed anyone into her home and had a way of making you feel special.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 12:00 noon, Saturday, October 27, 2018, at the St. Patrick Catholic Church in Laurie. Graveside services and interment will follow in St. Patrick's Cemetery. A Rosary will begin at 10:15 a.m., Saturday at the church, with a visitation to follow until the start of the service.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Patrick Catholic Church in lieu of flowers. The family kindly requests that loved ones make a kind gesture in her honor.

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

Cemetery Details

St. Patrick Cemetery

800 Highway O
Laurie, MO 65038

Previous Events

Rosary

OCT 27. 10:15 AM (CT)

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

Visitation

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Shelly Moss Stigall sent a virtual gift in memory of Tabitha Swab*



Shelly Moss Stigall - October 25, 2018 at 07:05 PM

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So sorry to hear of the loss of sweet Tabby! She was a great lady who lived and loved with grace and gratitude. Go rest high on that mountain my friend for your light on earth will continue thru the lives of your children. Well done faithful servant. We will meet again. Hugs and Prayers for her precious family whom she adored beyond measure.

Shelly Moss Stigall - October 25, 2018 at 07:12 PM

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“ I controlled my sorrow while talking with my brother when he gave me the news of her passing, but after I got off the phone I started to realize that I had lost the only person in my life who had given me pure unconditional love. Mom gave that love to all of my sisters and brothers. In good times and in bad times, she loved us all equally and never expected anything in return. Mom could always forgive, even though I knew she was hurt, the greatest thing she had ever instilled in me was to forgive especially family, mom was always ready to forgive us, I will really miss her. As a young boy she encouraged me to dare to be different and follow my dreams, although she knew it meant I would be away from her for long periods of time searching for my way in this world and she did not let me go without faith in Jesus, Mom thanks for that so very much. My mother was a warm, generous, and outgoing person in her day who her and my dad had many friends. She was very generous, especially to relatives and friends who would visit and always stay for dinner or how ever long they wanted. Mom is gone now and we will all miss her very much. Her unconditional love will especially be missed. You deserve to be in heaven, mom!
I will always love you
your son James

James Swab - October 25, 2018 at 01:35 PM