



Aldyth Gragg

February 25, 2013

Aldyth Gragg, 89, of Cape Girardeau, Mo., died Monday, February 25, 2013 at Chateau Girardeau Health Center. She was born November 18, 1923 in Macks Creek, Mo. to Bryan and Lela Mary Kain Osborn. She and David Eugene Gragg were married Friday, May 30, 1947 at St. Louis, Mo. He preceded her in 1968. Aldyth graduated from Cleveland High School in St. Louis in 1941 and William Jewell College in Liberty, Mo. in 1948 with a B.A. in History. She later went on to earn a B.S. Degree at Southeast Missouri State University. From 1967-69 she was a teacher at Jefferson School in Cape Girardeau. In 1969, she became head of academic advising at Southeast Missouri State University until 1995 at which time she retired as Associate Registrar. She was a member of Alpha Delta Pi Sorority, P.E.O. Sisterhood, Southeast Missouri Copper Dome Society, Missouri State Teachers Association, Phi Alpha Theta, Mortar Board, SEMO Boosters and SEMO 25 Year Club. She was also a member of Abbey Road Christian Church. She is survived by two sons, David Eugene (Tammy) Gragg, Jr. of Cape Girardeau, John Bryan (Sally) Gragg of Poplar Bluff, Mo.; two daughters, Rebecca Ann Holland of Woodland, Calif., Martha Aldyth (Steve) Boyd of Scottsdale, Ariz.; two sisters, Phyllis M. Gillespie of Federal Way, Wash., Johanna Taylor of St. Louis; nine grandchildren, Trevor William (Carolina) Boyd, Tara Courtney Boyd, Lance David (Sherri) Gragg, Tracy Lynn (Bobby) Haggerty, Sarah Elizabeth (Pete) DeLuca, Shane Michael Holland, Ryan David (Susan) Holland, Seth Bryan Gragg, Adam Godwin Gragg; 13 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; brother, Alden M. Osborn. Friends may call 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Thursday, February 28, 2013 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM Friday, March 1, 2013 at Abbey Road Christian Church with the Rev. Rodger Kiepe officiating. Burial will follow at Cape County Memorial Park in Cape Girardeau. Memorial contributions may be given to Abbey Road Christian Church.

Tribute Wall

TK

“ To all the members of Al Gragg's family: How blessed you were to have Al as a part of your family. She was a "one of a kind" person. I worked with Al at SEMO for many years. She was an amazing academic advisor and friend who was happy to share her expertise with anyone who asked. I was one of those people. I know it grants you solace in knowing that she is in the Lord's House now. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Trish Kogge - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SO

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this very difficult time.

Susie Pickett O'Connell - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ I was saddened today to learn of about Mrs. Gragg's death. She was a part of my life at SEMO. My sympathy to her family.

Michelle Brown-Hollin - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Al hired me for my first full time job at Southeast. I always had the utmost respect for her and learned so much from my time working with her. Fly with the angels, Al!

Sandy Hinkle - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ I had the pleasure of having Mrs. Gragg as my teacher at Jefferson School. I always adored her. She was so very kind and was a wonderful, encouraging mentor. My condolences to her family.

Renee Kerr Shandy - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ So sad to hear of Aunt Aldyth's passing. She will always hold a special place in my heart.

Susan Powell Stringfellow - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Please know I am thinking of your family. Your mother and I worked together at Southeast and she was a true delight. I am so happy that I had the privilege of knowing her.

Jane Cooper Stacy - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SK

“ We are so sorry for your loss and will keep your family in our prayers. Thank you for giving us the opportunity to assist and serve.

Sherry James Comfort Keepers - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ I am the oldest male Osborn cousin and we want to express our sympathy to the Gragg family on the loss of one of our finest cousins. When we were all in Mack Creek we had quite a time together and many memories of times long ago. We will all miss Aldyth and hope to see her in heaven when our time comes. Gary (Osborn) & LaVerne Colby

Gary & LaVerne Colby - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VR

“ I knew Aldyth at Wm. Jewell and she married my best friend. Her brother was a frat. brother. She was great and all of the comments before this are so right. She was a wonderful person. Thanks, Rebecca for the phone call.

V. Ecton Rule - May 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ I am so sorry for your loss mother, mother-in-law and grandmother. Al was a very sweet lady and good friend to my mom while working together at the University. You all are in our prayers. Dianne and family

Dianne Roth - March 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Your mother and I became friends in 1966 when we moved to Cape, We were both substituting in the Cape School District. Our friendship continued all of those many years. We were also PEO sisters. She was a wonderful lovely lady and so talented in all that she did. I will miss her. May God bless all of you in the days that lie ahead for all of you. Love, Jane Hardeman

jane hardeman - February 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VL

“ I am sorry I could not attend funeral as I had planned to. I want you to know that all of you are in my thoughts and prayer. You have my sincere sympathy.

virginia lewis - January 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ For Aldyth Gragg to David, Martha, John, Rebecca and her wonderful family, sending my sincere sympathy to all. Thinking of you. Love, Edna Murphy

Edna B. Murphy - January 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ The best tribute I can give Mrs. Grag is to say 335-6909. Why her phone number? As a dear friend of her son, John, I spent a lot of time at the Gragg's. It has been over 40 yrs since I have been at her house, yet for some reason, I still remember the phone number. She was a true lady, that always made you feel at home,like you were part of her family. I guess that has something to do with the memories. She will be missed. My condolences to all the Gragg family.

John Christensen - January 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ I am a P.E.O. sister of Al...I truly will miss her, she was an awesome woman and friend. I have lots of wonderful memories of Al and treasure them. I am sorry for your loss and just wanted to let you know all of you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Sue Hill Hellwege - January 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ I had the privilege of having Mrs. Gragg while attending Jefferson School in the 60's. She was a compassionate teacher who always made sure her pupils not only understood their lessons, but also helped us prepare for life. My sympathy to the family and we can be reassured one day soon we will all be reunited with her.

Scott Dudley - January 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM