



Alice Jeanne Long

July 5, 1924 - June 10, 2016

Alice Jeanne Long passed away on June 10, 2016, at her home in Cape Girardeau. She was followed in death by her husband of 70 years, John Long, who passed away June 18, a week and a day after her death. The Longs had celebrated 70 years of marriage, with family and friends on May 31, 2016.

Jeanne was born in Oskaloosa, Iowa on July 5, 1924, and was the last surviving of the family of 6 children. Her parents, Guy and Blodwin Hyde were lifelong residents of the small town in Iowa, and Jeanne attended Wm. Penn College there. She went on to complete her training as a registered nurse in St. Louis. John was born in St. Louis to Bert and Helen Long, on September 27, 1925.

It was in St. Louis that she met John, who had just been discharged from the Coast Guard, following the end of World War II. They met on a blind date in early April and were married at the end of May of that same year. They moved to Cape Girardeau, where John pursued his undergraduate degree at Southeast Missouri State, and Jeanne followed her nursing career at St. Francis Hospital. In 1950, John was recalled into active duty, and he served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict.

After returning to civilian life, John completed a Master's Degree and his Doctorate at the University of Missouri, and Jeanne worked at the university's

Student Health. In 1965, the Long family returned to Cape Girardeau, and both Jeanne and John became actively involved in the community and were lifelong active members at Centenary United Methodist Church.

Jeanne remained active as a nurse, at area hospitals, as a Red Cross Nurse, and finally at Southeast Missouri State University, where she headed Student Health Services, until her retirement. She was also a 70 year member of P.E.O. John was a professor in the department of Communication Disorders from 1965 until his retirement.

The Longs are survived by two daughters, both of Cape Girardeau, Margaret (Alan) Farrow, and Judith Stamp. They leave behind, two grandchildren, Lisa (Bill) Schnipke, of South Carolina, and Jason (Donna) Stamp, and their great grandchildren, Aidan and Kylie Stamp, of St. Louis.

Their generous and selfless devotion to their church, their friends, and their family will be celebrated at a memorial service in their honor. The family will welcome friends at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 9, 2016 at Ford and Sons Funeral Home on Mt. Auburn Road, with the service to follow at 10:30.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made to Southeast Hospice in appreciation of the loving care they provided.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JUL 9. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Jim (Director of the Pharmacy) and I (VP and chief nurse) are saddened with the passing of Jeanne and John. We remember Jeanne as one of the best nurses with whom we ever worked. She was a teacher and mentor to so many at Southeast Hospital. The care many in this community now receive, and did receive was/is because Jeanne taught us all about respect, compassion, caring, and skill. A true professional, Jeanne still made time to make us laugh and love nursing even with its challenges. We were recently with Chuck (Director of Personnel) and Carol (Hospice) Keppler, Norman (Director of the Lab), and Gwen Thoma (Director of Education)...followed Jeanne. We all remembered Jeanne fondly. Those of us who knew John remember how kind and what a gentle man he was. Jim and I are unable to be at the visitation and service and wanted you to know we are thinking about your great parents and you in this time of loss. With love and respect, Karen and Jim Hendrickson

Karen Hendrickson - July 08, 2016 at 01:53 PM

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*Thank you so much for your kind words.
Lisa Schnipke, Granddaughter of Jeanne and John*

Lisa Schnipke - July 10, 2016 at 10:31 PM