



Betty Jane Vangilder

November 17, 1923 - January 23, 2022

Betty Jane Vangilder, age 98, passed away peacefully at her home in rural Cape Girardeau, January 23, 2022.

She was born to John William and Anna Sophia Christina (Koehrer) Van Gilder, on November 17, 1923 in Cape Girardeau.

Betty Jane and Kenneth E. Vangilder were united in marriage, December 1, 1950. Since then, she has been a member of Hanover Lutheran Church. They shared 56 years of marriage together until Kenneth passed away in 2006.

Betty was baptized and confirmed at Trinity Lutheran Church. She attended Trinity Lutheran day school and was a 1941 graduate of College High School, then on the campus of Southeast Missouri State University. She then worked for the Bell Telephone company before becoming a devoted stay at home mother and dairy farm wife.

Betty is survived by two sons, Scott (Meredith Kay) and Clay (Julie), both of Cape Girardeau; four grandchildren, Ryan (Lori) Vangilder of Festus, MO, Kathryn (Kevin) Ballatore of Valley Ford, CA, Rachel (Derrick) Biri of Cape Girardeau, and Kara (Taylor) Busch of Lake St. Louis, MO; eight great-grandchildren, Alaina and Austin Ballatore, Mason, Myles, Bryce Biri, and Greyson, Hadley and Brynlie Busch.

Betty Jane was preceded in death by her parents, husband, and sister, Majorie Ann Van Gilder Heuer.

A private funeral will be held at a later date.

Burial will be at Cape County Memorial Park.

The family asks that all memorials be directed and sent to Hanover Lutheran Church, 2949 Perryville Road, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com.

Ford & Sons Funeral Home - Mt. Auburn is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Cape County Memorial Park

Tribute Wall

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“ *Scott & Clay sorry for your loss. It is never easy losing your mom. Please accept our deepest sympathy.*

Randy & Dorothy Gholson & family

Dorothy Gholson - January 28, 2022 at 01:33 PM

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“ *Betty Jane was/is my godmother, a position she took seriously and exercised with love. I think she had quite a few godchildren, but I was sure I was her favorite, and now I think we all felt that way because she made us feel so special. I still have the white hymnal engraved in gold with my name and confirmation date on my piano. Wishing you love and comfort, Scott and Clay.*

Charlotte Ellington - January 28, 2022 at 09:47 AM

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“ *Scott & Clay,
Your mother lived a long and fulfilling life and raised two good sons in the process. God bless you and families during this time of sorrow.*

Doug Niswonger

doug niswonger - January 27, 2022 at 09:04 AM