



Betty Lou Warren

December 5, 1935 - January 16, 2026

Betty Lou Green Warren, 90, of Cape Girardeau peacefully went to heaven Friday, January 16, 2026.

She was born December 5, 1935 in Cape Girardeau to Champ and Leona Green.

Betty graduated from Cape Central High School and received her undergraduate degree from Southeast Missouri State University.

On April 12, 1959, she married her husband of 65 years, Phillip Lee Warren at Grace United Methodist Church. She is still a member and loved her church friends and serving the Lord.

Loving survivors include her sons, Grant Warren and Lance (Tammy) Warren; daughter, Tara (Tim) Lutes; grandchildren, Matthew (Vanessa) Warren, Elisabeth (Sam) Maier, Dr. Kyle (Justice) Warren, Jonathon (Sara Boone) Lutes, Sydney (Ross, D.N.P.) Quinton, D.N.P. and Nathan Lutes, PhD; great-grandchildren, Hadley, Everly, Collins, Warren, Sutton, Thea and Addison; two great-granddaughters coming in January and March; brothers, Jim Green and Bill (Marian) Green and their families and extended families; sisters-in-law, Gleta Gorman and Mona Zeikle and their families and extended families; Warren, Ector, Baker and Crook nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and

nephews; as well as her dear Nothdurft cousins.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband; father and mother, Champ and Leona Green; mother and father-in-law, Palo and Flora Warren; daughter-in-law, Randi Jarvis Warren; sister-in-law, Erma Green, brother-in-law and his wife, James Edmond (Mattie) Warren; sisters-in-law and their husbands, Bernice (Charles) Ector, Marie (Roy) Baker, Edith (John) Crook; and brothers-in-law, Rex Gorman and John Zeikle; nephews, Greg Gorman, Brad Zeikle, Warren Ector and Kenny Gilbreath.

Visitation will be from 10:00 am to 11:00 am on Wednesday, January 21, 2026 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn chapel in Cape Girardeau with memorial service at 11:00 am with the Rev. Scott Moon officiating. Bereavement dinner will follow at Grace UMC fellowship hall.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Grace UMC and Grace UMC foundation for the Champ and Leona Green scholarship fund.

Cemetery Details

Cape County Memorial Park

2315 Highway 61 N
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Ford and Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Road
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Funeral Service

JAN 21. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ To my dear friend Betty’s family: I’m sure you must already know, but I wanted to tell you again how deep my admiration and affection for your Mother’s remarkable spirit was and how her boundless energy touched me and the lives of so many at Bonne Terre Centenary United Methodist Church.

Betty had an unwavering faith and gentle wisdom. Her spiritual nature radiated in every interaction, providing comfort, guidance, and hope to those around her. Whether through a kind word, a listening ear, or her earnest prayers, she inspired us all to grow closer to God. The warmth she brought into every room created a sense of peace that has been irreplaceable.

Week after week, Betty gave her time, talents, and energy—never seeking recognition or reward, but rather working humbly and tirelessly for the good of others. From organizing events and supporting ministries to lending a helping hand, she was always there wherever needed.

Even though she was a few years older, you would have never known it! Her energy was admired and infectious—always the first to arrive and the last to leave, and always ready to jump in with her dedicated sense of service. I am grateful for how much Betty loved and inspired me and so many others. Her example taught us the true meaning of dedication, kindness, and perseverance. She showed us how to approach each day with gratitude and generosity and love.

The last time we spoke was when she called to tell me that Phil had died. My heart is sad that she is gone, and I’m sad that we didn’t stay in touch more often. While she was at Centenary, we saw each other often each week and would sometimes get in trouble for talking in the choir (Ha! Ha!)—of course, I know it was more my fault than hers! We worked together on so many things—I have always missed her, but now my heart aches for her.

I'm sorry to be writing so late—it's been difficult for me to process this and write down my thoughts of this amazing woman and my dear friend. If it would be possible, I would appreciate knowing about her last months, weeks—I hope she didn't suffer (314-570-4792). No pressure. I love and admire all of you—I know your Mom was SO proud of you, and I loved hearing about you. All of you are on my heart and in my prayers. Love and Blessings.

Jackie Berry - January 31 at 08:34 PM



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