



Carolyn Downs

June 4, 1940 - March 17, 2026

Carolyn M. Downs, 85, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri went to be with her Lord, family and friends on Tuesday, March 17, 2026 at Jackson Manor.

She was born June 4, 1940 in Bowling Green, Kentucky to Joe Burns and Ruth Kellogg McLellan.

She and Stanley Dawson Downs were married April 18, 1964 in Bowling Green, Kentucky. They moved to Cape Girardeau and joined Westminster Presbyterian Church. He preceded her in death on December 16, 2022.

She taught first grade at Nell Holcomb School, worked at Division of Family Services, and delivered mail throughout Southeast Hospital.

She loved spending time volunteering with other women of the church, helping at FISH Food Pantry, and was a longtime volunteer at Southeast Hospital/Mercy Hospital - Southeast.

Survivors include her daughter, Lisa Downs-Pinkerton of Jackson, Missouri, grandson, Shawn Pinkston; granddaughter, Chelsea Perry; three great-grandchildren, Ashlynn Perry, Dawson Williams and Denver Williams; a sister, Susan Musick of Ohio and Florida; and a family full of cousins, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and one sister, JoAnn Price of Bowling Green, Kentucky.

A celebration of life will be scheduled for a later date.

Memorial contributions may be given to Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1820 Perryville Rd., Cape Girardeau, MO 63701.

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

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

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“Carolyn was always encouraging and of good spirit. Her faithfulness was exemplary.”



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