



## Darlene Younce

July 8, 1950 - December 13, 2024

Darlene Mae Younce, 74, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Friday, December 13, 2024 at her home.

She was born July 8, 1950 in Cherryville, Missouri to Noah and Jessie Dunlop Callahan.

She and Charles Gordon Younce were married August 26, 1968 at Cherryville, Missouri.

She was a graduate of Cherryville High School.

She worked at Schnucks in the deli department for 15 years and Ralph Edwards for three years.

She was a member of LaCroix Church.

Survivors include her husband, Charles Gordon Younce of Cape Girardeau; three sons, Charles Gordon Younce Jr. of Cape Girardeau, Benny Younce and Bobby (Mollie) Younce both of Jackson, Missouri; two sisters, Barbara (Larry) Elder of Cedar Hill, Missouri and Ruby (Lawrence) Reed of Cuba, Missouri; sister-in-law, Shirley Callahan of Cherryville, Missouri; six grandchildren, Brittany Younce, Hunter Younce, Khloe Younce, Landon Younce, Sawyer

Younce and Greer Younce; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Richard Callahan; daughter-in-law, Kimberly Younce; and a niece, Christie Callahan Smith.

Visitation will be 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Friday, December 20, 2024 at Ford & Son Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

There will also be a visitation 11:00 am to 1:00 pm Saturday, December 21, 2024 at Britton-Bennett Funeral Home in Steelville, Missouri.

Funeral Service will follow at 1:00 pm Saturday, December 21, 2024 at Britton-Bennett Funeral Home in Steelville, Missouri with Pastor Harrison Brown officiating. The funeral service will be live streamed on the Britton-Bennett Funeral Home Facebook page.

Burial will be at Martin Trask Cemetery in Cherryville, Missouri.

Memorial contributions may be given to Marine Toys for Tots Foundation.

Online condolences may be made at [www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com](http://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com).

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

# Cemetery Details

## Martin Trask Cemetery

142 Martin Cemetery Rd  
Cherryville, MO 65446

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **20**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel  
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

## Visitation

DEC **21**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Britton-Bennett Funeral Home  
110 Cedar St.  
Steelville, MO 65565

## Funeral Service

DEC **21**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Britton-Bennett Funeral Home  
110 Cedar St.  
Steelville, MO 65565



# Tribute Wall



“ *Ma'ma was the sweetest and kindest soul and has made my life wonderful. -Hunter J. Younce*

Hunter - March 10, 2025 at 01:31 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Darlene Younce.*

December 19, 2024 at 01:20 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Darlene Younce.*



December 19, 2024 at 01:20 PM



“ *Phyllis Cox, Brian and Kelly Hodges purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Darlene Younce.*



Phyllis Cox, Brian and Kelly Hodges - December 18, 2024 at 07:42 PM

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“ *I'm sorry for your loss. Darlene was a dear friend of mine. We got to know each other at Schnucks and I always enjoyed working with her and talking. Lori Martin.*

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**Lori Martin** - December 17, 2024 at 01:47 PM