



Diane Marie Mueller

December 26, 1953 - July 20, 2021

Diane Marie Mueller, 67, of Cape Girardeau went home to her Heavenly Father on Tuesday, July 20, 2021 at her home, surrounded by her family.

She was born December 26, 1953 in Cape Girardeau to LeRoy John and Joyce Valerie Heuring Westrich.

She married the love of her life, Stephen John Mueller, on December 27, 1974 in Cape Girardeau. Diane and Steve were blessed with two children, Jeffrey and Caroline, and four grandchildren, Logan, Aiden, Austin, and Addison. Diane lives on through her children and grandchildren whom she loved so dearly.

Diane was a graduate of Notre Dame High School and received bachelor's and master's degree from Southeast Missouri State University. She taught for over 30 years in the Cape Girardeau Public Schools.

Diane loved spending time with her friends and family, especially her grandbabies. She and Steve enjoyed many adventures together in their 46 years of marriage. The two often spent time at local wineries, tailgating at SEMO games, and spending time camping at Castor River.

She was a devout Catholic and a member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic

Church. She shared her faith by attending eucharistic adoration at St. Francis Medical Center for 10 years, leading the rosary at her parish, and as a volunteer at Birthright.

Survivors include her mother, Joyce Westrich of Cape Girardeau; husband, Steve Mueller of Cape Girardeau; son, Jeffrey Mueller of Robinson, Illinois; daughter, Caroline (Bryan) Coulter of Jefferson City, Missouri; two brothers, John W. Westrich of Cape Girardeau, Robert S. Westrich of Kansas City, Missouri; three sisters, Sharon K. (Don) Call of Cape Girardeau and Mary Sue (Neil) Conrad and Ruth A. (Jon) Parks, both of Jackson; four grandchildren, Logan and Austin Mueller and Aiden and Addison Coulter; and a number of nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father.

Friends may call 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Friday, July 23, 2021 at Ford and Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau. Parish prayers and Knights of Columbus Rosary will be at 7:00 pm.

Funeral mass will be 10:00 am Saturday, July 24, 2021 at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church with the Rev. Rick Jones officiating.

Burial will follow at St. Mary Cemetery in Cape Girardeau.

Memorial contributions may be given to Birthright, 2633 Hopper Road, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701.

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

Ford and Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary Cemetery

1101 Perry Avenue
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 23. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

Parish Prayers and Knights of Columbus Rosary

JUL 23. 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Mass

JUL 24. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church
1919 Ritter Dr.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Tribute Wall

AW

“*Mrs. Mueller was my 5th grade teacher at Blanchard Elementary for the 2000-2001 school year. I absolutely loved her! She was so kind to me and taught me many valuable things. I still think of her often, and will cherish my memories now even more. My wish for her family is for them to know how much of an impact she made as an educator and how she positively affected many children’s lives. May you find peace. Sending all of my love!*”

Allison W - July 30, 2021 at 04:17 PM

MG

“*marjorie G. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Diane Marie Mueller.*”



marjorie G. - July 26, 2021 at 07:21 PM

MG

“ Diane & I had tons of fun in High School together, along with Patty Steimle (now Joyce) and Jane Christoff (now Wibbenmeyer), and even into college! Especially in all the Notre Dame musicals! Oh my, so many good times, so many memories. I'll never forget Diane as Nimwe's voice in Camelot--so beautiful; and once hearing her sing the Ave Maria in a local contest--which she also then sang later at my wedding. Such a voice! And now it will be added to those of the angels in heaven, I know for sure. Heaven will be better for it! Oh Diane, you will be missed!

My love and prayers are extended to all her family; please take heart knowing how very exceptionally kind she was, and how many lives she has uplifted and touched with joy.

*Sincerely,
Marjie Scheu Gladish
Springfield, IL*

Marjorie Gladish - July 26, 2021 at 07:11 PM

EH

“ Norman and I will always remember Diane as a beautiful and warm friend who usually beat us at bridge.

We all will miss her.

*With sympathy to her family,
Elaine and Norman Hayden*

Elaine Hayden - July 23, 2021 at 05:19 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Diane Marie Mueller.*



July 23, 2021 at 04:35 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Diane Marie Mueller.*



July 23, 2021 at 11:08 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Diane Marie Mueller.*



July 23, 2021 at 08:12 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Diane Marie Mueller.*



July 22, 2021 at 01:49 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Diane Marie Mueller.*



July 22, 2021 at 11:06 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Diane Marie Mueller.*



July 22, 2021 at 12:11 AM



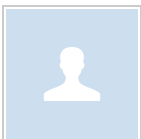
“ *We had such fun snow sledding days as children. After living away for 20 yrs I'd lost touch with the fhe family until I met her at birth right and was so impressed by the woman she became. What a blessing she has been all these years as a teacher and then at birth right. Dotty Maxwell Sides*

Dotty Maxwell Sides - July 21, 2021 at 11:27 PM



“ *Please accept our condolences. Diane was a favorite teacher of all my girls. She will be sorely missed by the Slinkard family.*

Robin L slinkard - July 21, 2021 at 08:05 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Diane Marie Mueller.*



July 21, 2021 at 07:43 PM

JS

“ I have loved Diane since she worked in the Alumni and we put Homecoming together! I never remember her losing her cool with anyone including me! I remember her laugh when she decided whether she should laugh or not! I led her as a student worker; I never stopped! ❤️

Jane Cooper Stacy - July 21, 2021 at 06:45 PM

TP

“ Steve
Terry and I are so sorry to hear about Diane.
I remember when we were neighbors in Woodland Hills.
Please accept our deep sympathy.
Sally and Terry

terry pool - July 21, 2021 at 06:11 PM