



Dorothy Ellis

September 22, 1936 - November 19, 2024

Dorothy (Dottie) J. Ellis, 88, of Jackson, Missouri, died at St Francis Hospital in Cape Girardeau, Missouri on November 19, 2024.

She was born on September 22, 1936, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, to Dorothy C. Illers and Robert W. Illers. She was preceded in death by her parents, her son, Robert B. Ellis, her sister, Adele Bayless and nephews, Mark Bayless, Mike Bayless and her special cousin, Shirley Cooper.

On September 26, 1954, she married John Edward Ellis in Jackson, MO. For many years, she did the bookkeeping at the family business, Jackson Auto Parts. They enjoyed entertaining, dancing and bridge club, in their early years, and being with their different pets, grandchild and later great grandchildren. Dottie loved her family and showed this love strongly when she prepared meals, particularly at the holidays. She was a den mother, worked elections, was a member of the John Guild Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, delved in and discovered connections through her interest in genealogy. She was a Human Resource Manager at Venture Stores and enjoyed the challenges it brought as well as the friends she made. She cherished her times with friends over the years, whether that be with a meal, a glass of wine, a conversation over a manicure or just a simple smile and a bit of encouragement.

In addition to her husband, John, she is survived by her son, John E. Ellis, II (Diane), her grandson, Robert John Ellis, her beloved great granddaughters, Tanner Ellis and Nora Allen, her sister-in-law, Nancy Ellis, and Sue

Underwood, her niece.

A celebration of life will be held at Memorial Park Cemetery on Friday, December 6, 2024. Family will be there at 1:00 p.m. to receive visitors with a service to follow at 1:30 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the John Guild DAR Chapter (<https://www.dar.org/giving>), a local Humane Society, the National Cancer Coalition for Cancer Survivorship (<<https://nationalcoalitionforcancersurvivorship-bloom.kindful.com/>> or a charity of your choice.

Arrangements are by Ford and Sons Funeral Homes of Jackson, MO.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC 6. 1:30 PM.

Cape County Memorial Park

Tribute Wall

LP

“ I am so sorry to hear about Dottie's passing. She was a wonderful friend to my Mother, Dorothy, through the years. I have some wonderful memories of her when my bother and I were growing up as well as her comforting texts and calls after I loss my Mom. My prayers to you all. Leah Petty.

Leah Petty - January 15, 2025 at 10:50 AM

JJ

Leah,
Thank you so much for your kind words. Our mothers were dear friends. I remember your mother's shop uptown. I think Sherry Sebastian's mother worked there. Your dad helped me buy my first two houses. Lots of good memories of the whole bunch!
John Ellis

John Ellis, II - October 26, 2025 at 06:02 PM

CD

“ I am very Thankful for having had Dottie in my life for at least forty years. She was a dear friend. Always compassionate, supportive and non-judgemental.
She will be greatly missed, but Always in my heart!
Love and Blessings to her wonderful family,
Connie DeCourley

Connie DeCourley - December 05, 2024 at 01:12 PM

JE

Thank you, Connie. This is Dottie's son John. She always enjoyed your company. Take care. John

John Ellis - December 10, 2024 at 09:34 PM