



## Dorothy V. Polack

December 16, 1929 - January 8, 2025

Dorothy Virginia Polack, 95, of Cape Girardeau died Wednesday, January 8, 2025 at The Lutheran Home.

She was born December 16, 1929 in St. Louis to Robert James and Emma Oehler Gillespie.

She and Robert J. "Bob" Polack, Sr. were married April 18, 1953 in Cape Girardeau.

Dorothy received bachelor's and master's degrees in teaching from Southeast Missouri State University.

Dorothy's teaching career began in Olive Branch, Illinois for two years and then at Trinity Lutheran School for several years. She then spent most of her career, 30 years, in the Nell Holcomb School District.

She was a founding member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Chapel where she was active for many years.

Survivors include one son, Robert J. (Joy Bell) Polack Jr. of Cape Girardeau; grandson, John August Polack of St. Louis; and 18 nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and son, John Edward Polack.

Funeral service will be private.

Entombment will be at Cape County Memorial Park Mausoleum.

Memorial contributions may be given to Saxony Lutheran High School, 2004 Saxony Drive, Jackson, MO 63755.

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

# Cemetery Details

## **Cape County Memorial Park Mausoleum**

2315 Highway 61 N  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

# Tribute Wall

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“ Aww I had her in grade school I loved her such a good person as well as a teacher she will be missed by many

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**amber Jones** - January 09, 2025 at 08:27 PM

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“ I was in Mrs. Polack's 2nd grade class at Trinity Lutheran when we got the news President Kennedy had been shot.

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**Rob Gerlach** - January 09, 2025 at 06:56 PM

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“ Mrs Polack was a very sweet lady. I was in her 1st grade class at Nell Holcomb School. We didn't have Kindergarten back then, so it was my first year of being away from home for the day. She got me through it! May she rest in peace.

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**Tammy Aufdenberg Lueders** - January 09, 2025 at 06:03 PM