



## Dorothy C. Ressel

August 11, 1933 - April 4, 2024

Dorothy Caroline Ressel, 90, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Thursday, April 4, 2024 at Saint Francis Medical Center.

She was born August 11, 1933 in Kelso, Missouri to Anton and Anna Ostendorf Diebold.

She and Harold J. Ressel were married October 18, 1955 at Kelso, Missouri. He preceded her in death in 1990.

She enjoyed quilting, playing cards, gardening and fishing. She loved her Grandkids and all her family members. She was a very faithful-filled person.

She was an active member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. She volunteered at the church and St. Francis Medical Center Auxiliary. She loved to volunteer and accumulated more than 40,000 plus volunteer hours through the years. In 1993, she was awarded the "Auxilian Of The Year" by the state of Missouri Hospital Association.

Survivors include two sons, Roger Ressel of Cape Girardeau and David (Kimberley) Ressel of North Olmsted, Ohio; a daughter, Sharon (Tom) Westrich of White Plains, New York; a sister, Clara Essner of Kelso, Missouri; eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; brother, Paul Diebold; two sisters, Lorene Essner and Helen Menz; and one grandson, BJ Ressel.

Visitation will be 9:00 am to 10:00 am on Saturday, April 13, 2024 at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral Mass will follow at 10:00 am Saturday at the church with the Rev. Rick Jones and Deacon Mark Kiblinger officiating.

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

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Francis Medical Center Auxiliary, 211 St. Francis Drive, Cape Girardeau, MO 63703.

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

## St. Mary Cemetery

1101 Perry Avenue  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 13. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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

## Funeral Mass

APR 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *I remember how sweet Dorothy was when cooking at St Vincent grade school. Enjoyed being around her. God bless all Cordelia Peters*

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**Cordelia** - April 09, 2024 at 06:54 PM

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“ *We are Jack and LaVerne Wells, living in St. Louis now. Nine years ago we left Cape Girardeau after residing there for 41 years in St. Vincent de Paul Parish. We considered the Ressels not just fellow parishioners, but friends. I shared in many parish activities with Dorothy and have fond memories of those years. We watched our children grow with some of them sharing their school years together. We offer our condolences to the family along with our prayers. May she rest in peace.*

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**Jack and LaVerne Wells** - April 06, 2024 at 06:33 PM

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“ *Dorothy is a wonderful example of how to live one's life with faith, kindness, generosity, and humor. She was always a joy to visit, ready with a smile and eager to find out the latest news and share what was happening in her own life. Even on her rough days, Dorothy handled challenges with the utmost grace. She will be greatly missed in the days ahead. Love you, Dorothy.*

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**Karla Essner** - April 06, 2024 at 02:59 PM

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“ *It has been a great pleasure to get to know Ms. Ressel and take care of her. She was such a sweet, kind soul and will be deeply missed. God Bless Roger and the rest of the family, prayers as you get through this time.*

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**Erin Brothers** - April 05, 2024 at 03:27 PM