



## Rev. Jack L. and Barbara Cathcart

March 6, 2020

Barbara Louise Cathcart, 87, of Cape Girardeau passed away peacefully in her home on the morning of Friday, March 6, 2020. Her husband, Rev. Jack Lee Cathcart, 87, passed away peacefully later that same day and joined his bride in their new heavenly home.

Barbara Cathcart was born on May 5, 1932 in Harrisburg, Illinois to Louis and Helen Gidcumb Jackson.

Rev. Jack Cathcart was born on May 21, 1932 in Harrisburg, Illinois to John and Edith Durfee Cathcart.

They were married on March 29, 1951 in Springfield, Illinois, and would have celebrated 69 years of marriage this month.

Survivors include their three daughters, Jackie L. Niswonger of Cape Girardeau, Ruth E. (Ron) Niswonger of Jackson, Missouri, and Cynthia R. Cathcart of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; three grandchildren, Eric L. (Kimber) Niswonger, Kelli R. Wilson, and Travis A. (Mary) Niswonger; two great-grandchildren, Mary and Eli Niswonger, and one expected in July.

They were preceded in death by their parents; her sister, Phyllis Perry; his brothers, John William Cathcart, S.C. Cathcart, Jerry Cathcart, and sister,

Louise Stephenson; and, their grandson-in-law, Michael Wilson.

Rev. Jack Cathcart was ordained in 1951. He and Barbara pastored Calvary Temple in Cape Girardeau. Together, they devoted their lives to the ministry of Jesus Christ. They had a heart for people, dedicated themselves to serving others, and through Him, they touched countless lives. On March 6, they began their new life together in heaven.

Visitation will be from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel.

Funeral service will be at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel with the Rev. Ron Brown officiating.

Burial will be at Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

# Cemetery Details

## Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery

2315 Highway 61 North  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701  
(573) 334-1909  
<https://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 11. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

MAR 11. 1:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel  
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# Tribute Wall

MD

“ He was my first pastor. I learned many important things from him and remember and observe them. That church was where I first encountered miracles, and the gifts of the Spirit along with the fruit of the Spirit. I have often been grateful and have good memories. Barbara also ministered to me.  
I am still walking with the Lord, and serving Him.  
Ps. 35.27b fits for his life: "Let the Lord be magnified, Who delights in the prosperity of His servant."  
I'm in Tulsa, OK, now. I was an undergrad. student at So. E. MO St. U. from 1978-1982.  
- Matt Dooley

Matt Dooley - November 18, 2022 at 06:04 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Rev. Jack L. and Barbara Cathcart.



March 14, 2020 at 01:56 PM

MT

“ 2 files added to the album Tindley



Melanie Tindley - March 12, 2020 at 10:39 AM

MT

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Melanie Tindley - March 12, 2020 at 10:13 AM

MT

“ Hundreds of wonderful memories flow from my heart as I remember Pastor Jack and Barbara Cathcart. Pastor Jack was my pastor for 10 years (1985-1995) while I was based in Cape Girardeau, Missouri working for Procter & Gamble. He and Barbara built a solid foundation in my life as a Christian, which sustains me decades later and miles away. I remember their examples of prayer; encouragement (“Think BIG...We serve a BIG God” and “It’s always too soon to quit”); worship (“Victory in Jesus” was a favorite Hymn); and loving service that have left an eternal imprint upon my life and countless.

*I salute and honor Pastor Jack and Barbara for their Christian testimony, legacy and lineage; knowing one day we will each join them in eternal joy and celebration in the Lord’s Presence.*

*Sincerely,  
Melanie Tindley  
Charlotte, North Carolina*

Melanie Tindley - March 11, 2020 at 01:29 PM

JA

“ When I think of Brother & Sister Cathcart I am amazed how they both have touched our lives in so many ways. Sister Cathcart gave me wise counsel before our marriage when I was a basket case. She shared her accordion skill with me & I still can remember her singing & playing the organ. She had such a talent. I know she will enjoy worshipping in heaven.  
Brother Cathcart married John & I soon to be 51 years ago this coming June. He ministered to us so many times through the Word & the prophetic word as The Holy Spirit moved on him. He ministered to both our sons as different family issues came up over the years in their lives. He prayed the pray of faith & stood in the gap for so many. I know Brother Cathcart will be worshipping the one he loved & spent so much time in prayer with as he magnified Jesus Christ. Truly they are two people who have impacted our lives in many ways. God’s strength & blessings to the family at this time.

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**John & Brenda Adcock** - March 11, 2020 at 09:33 AM

CW

“ What a testimony I’ll say my life was very much impacted by these two. I’d see them in cape every once and a while they may not have know who I was but the are two people that led me in the right direction

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**Candy Farel Witcher** - March 10, 2020 at 06:30 AM

DP

“ Just want to thank Pastors Cathcart for all they did in service for Christ. I brought my father to church during 1990-1991 and you ministered the Word of God in such a way that ministered to dad. He was 80-81 and felt the leading of the Lord to be baptized in water as his next step in his salvation walk. Pastor Cathcart baptized my father during that time. I am so thankful for his ministry. God bless to the family, my prayer is that God will cover you and give you His peace during this time.

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**Deborah Klasing Petersen** - March 09, 2020 at 01:52 PM

KH

“ As tears run down my face, the song " Precious Memories" comes to my mind. Jack and Barb have been such a big part of our lives, he was my grandmothers pastor, dedicated both my sons as baby's and baptized them when older. They both became very dear to our hearts and because of them we are what we are today. I can only imagine the shouting and dancing going on in heaven right now, my grandma being one of them. We loved you both and we will miss you but we shall see you again some day! To all the family we are praying for strength at this difficult time.



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**KIM HOUSEMAN** - March 09, 2020 at 11:59 AM

KH

“ 4 files added to the album *THE HOUSEMAN'S*



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**KIM HOUSEMAN** - March 09, 2020 at 11:19 AM



“ *Memories to Treasure* was purchased for the family of Rev. Jack L. and Barbara Cathcart.



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March 09, 2020 at 09:24 AM

KC

“ *The Luttrell family has the utmost love, respect and honor for Pastor Jack and Barbara Cathcart. They touched our family in such a spiritual way through our lives. Pastor Jack raised us to believe in Jesus with everything we had inside. Many thanks to them for the love they showed us through our lives. Jackie, Ruth and Cindy we are sorry for your loss and we send our love to each and everyone of you. God Bless you and may he shield your heart's as you celebrate two of the most amazing people on this Earth. Your parents Jack and Babara Cathcart to God be the glory. Love the children of Bob and Janet Luttrell*

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**Kim Cunningham** - March 08, 2020 at 10:37 PM

MF

“ *Melanie Tindley & Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Rev. Jack L. and Barbara Cathcart.*



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**Melanie Tindley & Family** - March 08, 2020 at 10:29 PM

JK

“ *John Kaufman lit a candle in memory of Rev. Jack L. and Barbara Cathcart*



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**John kaufman** - March 08, 2020 at 04:15 PM

JK

“ *Pastor Jack and sister Barb we're very special people Pastor Jack with my pastor for many years at New Life World Outreach Center I always loved his teachings and they both were there during my time of need I have known them both for many years and they are the very reason why I am still active in church and living for God you both will be missed I know you are with God both of you giving him praise and worshipping him and glorifying his wonderful name*

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**John kaufman** - March 08, 2020 at 04:12 PM

AL

*They died same time are day strange really*

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**Alanwindexnecht** - March 08, 2020 at 05:40 PM

LM

*They will always hold a very special place in my heart. Two very special people.*

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**Ladonna Murray** - March 08, 2020 at 10:39 PM

DS

*Our beloved friends for over 50 years  
We met Jack and Barbara while in college at SEMO. They led us to a deeper faith in The Lord Jesus. We will forever be thankful for the honor to have had them as a part of our life.  
David and Sharon*

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**David and Sharon** - March 10, 2020 at 04:04 AM

JH

*Pastor Jack and Barb are very special people to my family. We are so thankful for their prayers, their love and their support they gave us.*

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**John & Jan Huber** - March 10, 2020 at 10:01 AM

CO

*Our sympathy to all the family. This has been a year of loss for our earthly family. Love, Cynthia Gidcumb Overstreet*

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**Cynthia Overstreet** - March 10, 2020 at 03:06 PM