



Joann Weatherly

January 30, 1932 - September 16, 2019

Joann (Kennedy) Weatherly, 87, of Cape Girardeau died Sept. 16, 2019 at the de Greeff Hospice Center, Mercy South Hospital, in St. Louis, following a stroke suffered on Labor Day. She most recently was a resident at Saxony Village in Cape.

Joann, legally named Athelda Joanna, was born Jan. 30, 1932, to Jenetta and John Kennedy and was raised in Gideon, Mo. She met her future husband, James (Jim) Durward Weatherly, while a student at Gideon High School. Following graduation in 1949 – as salutatorian, she was always quick to point out – she lived and worked in St. Louis before marrying on Nov. 9, 1950. The newlyweds lived first in Cape Girardeau, where Jim was completing college to become an accountant, and then in St. Louis, where they were joined by four children: a son in 1953, twin daughters in 1955, and a son in 1957. The family moved to Cape Girardeau in 1965.

In addition to raising her family, Joann had a busy life as an active member of First General Baptist Church in Cape Girardeau for more than 50 years, where she taught Sunday School, was a member of the Women's Missionary Society and worked in many volunteer capacities. She also worked for many years in part-time secretarial and retail roles. As empty-nesters and in retirement, Joann and her husband enjoyed traveling and spending time with their growing family of grandchildren. In her later years, she was a devoted

Cardinals baseball follower, avid card player and crossword puzzler, and possessed a particular attachment to her Kindle for reading books, playing games, and staying in touch through social media.

Joann relished her role as a grandmother of eight and great-grandmother of nine. She was a devoted and loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend, and will be dearly missed and cherished by all who knew her.

Joann was preceded in death by her husband in 2015, as well as her parents, five brothers, one sister and a son-in-law. Survivors include her children, Mitchell (Carol) Weatherly of St. James, Mo., Rebecca March (Robert) Courtney of St. Louis, Barbara (Lee) Meyer of St. Louis, David (Adele) Weatherly of Jackson, Mo., and her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 9 to 11 a.m. Sept. 20 at First General Baptist Church in Cape Girardeau. The funeral service will be at 11 a.m. at the church with the Rev. Jim Rudolph officiating. Entombment will be at Cape County Memorial Park Mausoleum in Cape Girardeau.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be given to First General Baptist Church of Cape Girardeau, the Alzheimer's Association, or de Greeff Hospice House at Mercy South Hospital in St. Louis.

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

SEP 20. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First General Baptist Church
1812 Cape Lacroix Rd.
Cape Girardeau, MO., MO

Service

SEP 20. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *My heart is saddened on the passing of your dear mother and the unexpected circumstances. She was a very special lady and will be missed. I am sure she and your father are having a happy reunion in Heaven.*

We are out of town and sorry we aren't able to be there. You are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

LaRae Moore Leimer - September 20, 2019 at 09:37 AM



“ *I am so so sorry to hear about your mother. May God send comfort and peace to your family. My sincere condolences. Yvonne Ross-Hudson*



Yvonne Hudson - September 19, 2019 at 03:31 PM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Joann Weatherly.*



September 19, 2019 at 10:06 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Joann Weatherly.*



September 17, 2019 at 02:31 PM



“ *My late husband and I met your parents in the course of the many years they volunteered to assist with free tax preparation. They were invaluable to us because of their knowledge and dependability. On occasion they had home computer problems, and Roger was called upon to help. Our reward was a whole, delicious apple or cherry pie. I know they are rejoicing together in Gloryland today. God bless, comfort and keep you all.*

Marlene Cloude - September 17, 2019 at 09:24 AM