



## Judith Anne Lang

July 1, 1949 - July 3, 2020

Judith Anne “Judy” Lang, 71, of Whitewater (formerly Cape Girardeau), died Friday, July 3, 2020 at her home.

She was born July 1, 1949 in Chicago, IL, to Peter Jenkins and Ruth Dragunas Jenkins.

She and Roger Warren Lang were married on October 4, 1997.

Judy graduated from Prospect High School in Mt. Prospect, IL. On September 17, 1977, she married her first husband, Philip Ventrella, who passed away in 1992. She and Phil relocated to Cape Girardeau, and had one daughter, Vicki Ventrella-Meyer.

Judy had a talent for sewing and needlecraft and made custom draperies for most of her life. She was also employed at various businesses: First Federal Bank, Otahki Girl Scout Council, Famous Barr, and RM Coco, among others.

Retail ran in her blood, and for approximately six years, she owned and operated Judith Anne’s Gift Shop in downtown Cape. When her store closed in 2001, she joined Roger at Lang’s Jewelers until their retirement in 2013. Judy was the original board president and one of the founders of the Old Town Cape organization, and a proud member of the Downtown Merchants’

Association. She created and designed the first annual downtown Cape ornament.

Judy enjoyed golf, fishing, her Bunko group, and volunteered at the Cape Girardeau Conservation Nature Center. She was a member of the Elks, and participated at both the Jackson and Cape lodges.

Judy was incredibly creative, and a thoughtful, doting mother and grandmother. She was strong and driven, but she cared deeply for her friends and family.

Judy is survived by her husband Roger, daughter Vicki (Clint Meyer) of St. Ann, MO, granddaughter Aubrey Meyer, stepdaughter Erika Lang of Cape, sister Barb Josetti of Denver, CO, and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, first husband Phil, and brother, Richard Jenkins.

Visitation will be Thursday, July 9, from 5 to 7 p.m. at Ford and Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel. Please wear a mask if attending. A graveside service will be held Friday, July 10, at 10 a.m. at Memorial Park Cemetery with Rev. Stan Hargis officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Missouri Conservation Heritage Foundation; please memo "Cape Nature Center" to ensure the contribution reaches the appropriate organization.

Ford and Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# 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

**JUL 9.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home  
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701  
(573) 334-1313  
[info@fordandsonsfuneralhome.com](mailto:info@fordandsonsfuneralhome.com)  
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## Graveside

**JUL 10.** 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

BA

“ I lived next door to Judy and Phil when Vicki was born. She was a wonderful wife and mother to Vicki. She was a special, loving friend. I will forever remember fondly.

Barbara - January 25, 2021 at 01:18 AM

PM

“ Roger, we are so very sorry for you & your family's loss. Judith was a wonderful person. I loved chatting with her while shopping in her store and of course your store as well. Praying for comfort in your time of sorrow.  
Sincerely,  
Tom & Pat Martin

pat martin - July 10, 2020 at 02:44 AM

BN

“ My memory is that she always made you feel good and it was a pleasure to call her a friend! May God comfort and bless the family.  
~Brenda Colon-Newbern



Brenda Newbern - July 09, 2020 at 11:42 AM

DB

“ Roger  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you !!  
God Bless  
Tim & Deb Beussink



Debbie Beussink - July 09, 2020 at 07:44 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Judith Anne Lang.



July 08, 2020 at 11:11 PM



“ Brenda Schloss sent a virtual gift in memory of Judith Anne Lang



**Brenda Schloss** - July 08, 2020 at 12:15 PM



*Judith was one of the nicest women I knew - a true light shining in the dark. We will miss her. Our love and prayers go to Roger and Viki.*

**Brenda Schloss** - July 08, 2020 at 12:17 PM



*I am so sorry. Have wonderful memoires of both Judy and Roger when we came into the jewelry store. Seems we were there often. Both Bill and I were honored to be asked by her to make a commercial for the store - what a wonderful memory for us - and to show the CD of it that she gave us to our kids. They were impressed. My sincerest condolences to Roger and Vicki.*

**Ruth Needle** - July 10, 2020 at 10:57 AM

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“ *Auntie Lynn and Cousin Christine purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Judith Anne Lang.*



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**Auntie Lynn and Cousin Christine** - July 06, 2020 at 10:29 PM