



## Leona E. Shaw

March 4, 1923 - June 14, 2017

Surrounded by the love of her three children, 11 grandchildren and 16 greatgrandchildren, Leona Elizabeth Shaw of Cape Girardeau passed from this Earth on Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at Life Care Center in Cape Girardeau, and was granted one of her greatest wishes: To meet her Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. She was born March 4, 1923.

The sadness the family feels for the loss of Leona is only equaled by the joy it feels with her being reunited with her husband of 49 years, Dewey; her daughter, Suzanne; her son, Timothy; and her grandson, Daniel.

Leona was a woman of unwavering faith and love in her family, her friends, and, certainly, her religion. A devout Catholic her entire life, she always knew a better life awaited those who put their faith in Jesus Christ, and she lived that faith every day.

Leona did her best to teach her family to live a life of happiness, and that happiness did not come from possessions, but from religion, family and work. "Set goals for yourself," Leona said, "and with the grace of God and the love of your family, you could accomplish anything you want." She truly believed that, and her family prays it can embody her spirit and love of life.

The family takes comfort in knowing the sadness it feels will weaken over time, although never completely going away, hopefully to be replaced by thoughts of Leona running through the fields by Apple Creek with her siblings, Leo, Herman, Rudy, Daria, Wilma, Mary Lou and, someday, Raymond. Stirring the orange soda with Grandpa at the brewery. Praying a rosary with Grandma

or rocking a new grandchild to sleep.

Leona lived a simple life, but mostly a happy one. Who could ask for more? So, as her loved ones say goodbye to their mom, friend and role model, they just want to tell her to not worry about them, as she did their entire lives, because "It will all work out," and that her children - Janice, Mary and John - love her.

For anyone wishing to say goodbye to Leona, visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. today at Ford and Sons Mount Auburn Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau, with parish prayers at 7 p.m.

A funeral Mass will be at 12:30 p.m. Saturday at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Cape Girardeau, with the Rev. Bobby Manso officiating. Internment will be at St. Michael's Cemetery in Apple Creek, Missouri.

Memorial donations are requested to Vincent's Vittles at St. Vincent de Paul Parish.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Michael's Cemetery

Apple Creek, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **16**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home  
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701  
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## Parish Prayers

JUN **16**. 7:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Mass

JUN 17. 12:30 PM (CT)

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ *One special lady. Always had a smile and a kind word. You will be greatly missed my lady. Enjoy your time with your loved ones and Jesus. I love you so much, I will miss you greatly.*

Cindy nash - June 17, 2017 at 08:45 PM

MV

“ *Mary Vickery lit a candle in memory of Leona E. Shaw*



Mary Vickery - June 16, 2017 at 07:28 AM

MV

“ *To All of you, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your mother. But after reading the wonderful tribute you shared, I know that you will be OK. May God's peace be with you with every breath you take. I know your mom is proud of all of you. My prayers will be with you as your life journey continues without your mother. God Bless ALL of You!*  
*Mary Vickery*

Mary Vickery - June 16, 2017 at 07:28 AM