



Lillian Nettie Jones

November 21, 1918 - June 26, 2020

Lillian Jones, 101, of Cape Girardeau died peacefully on Friday, June 26, 2020. She was born on November 21, 1918, in Bismarck, Missouri, the daughter of Daniel and Nora Martin Ringer, and had 3 sisters and 1 brother (deceased). She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

Lillian graduated from Cape Girardeau Central High School and married Alfred Jones in 1936. Alfred passed away after the couple had celebrated 51 years of marriage. She was a homemaker with special talents in sewing, quilting and painting.

Lillian and Alfred were blessed with the birth of their daughter Barbara Jane on May 10, 1942 (deceased).

Lillian has been a driving force in Cape Girardeau for programs for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Cape Girardeau County ever since. She became a member of the local Association for Persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities in 1957. She has served as an active member since 1967 for VIP Industries, the local sheltered workshop for those who cannot work in competitive industry. Serving on the Board of Directors of Regency Management Inc., since 1990, Lillian helped oversee the formation of three residential housing projects which give individuals the chance to live in their own apartment with individualized services. She is also

on the Heartland Board. As an active citizen, Lillian was also a member of AARP and the Senior Citizens Center. She enjoyed her many years of wintering in Florida with Alfred and Barbara. She also traveled to seven other countries.

Lillian Jones was a member of Grace United Methodist Church and a member of the Rasche Sunday School Class, the Quilting Group and The Amazing Greys Senior Group. She was a charter member of the Women's Society for Christian Service which is now United Methodist Women. She lived independently and enjoyed her home on Bessie in Cape Girardeau since 1950 until she moved to Chateau Girardeau on December 24, 2017. Lillian is an inspiration to the residents and staff of Chateau Girardeau.

Visitation will be at Grace United Methodist Church on Thursday, July 2, 2020 from 9:30 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. The service will follow at 11:00 a.m. with the Rev. Eric Schmidt officiating.

Burial will be at Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers a donation may be made to VIP Industries or Grace United Methodist Church in Cape Girardeau.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com.

Ford & Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.