



## Lou Ann Launhardt

December 30, 1936 - March 27, 2018

Lou Ann Boehne Launhardt is asleep in Jesus arms on March 27, 2018.

She was born in St. Louis on December 30, 1936 to the Rev. H. Paul and Lucille Boehne. Her parents preceded her in death.

She received all of her education in Lutheran schools except for the eighth grade and classes at Southeast Missouri State University. She lived in St. Louis until she was 10 when the family moved to Murphysboro, IL and then back to St. Louis. She was a graduate of Lutheran High School and St. Paul's college in Concordia, MO. She was a member of the first class of girls admitted to St. Paul's College. She taught school at Hope Lutheran School in St. Ann. Her teaching career also included substitution in New York and a few months at Trinity Lutheran School.

She and Rev. Louis H. Launhardt were married June 23, 1957 in St. Louis. He preceded her in death in 2006. Their marriage was blessed with three children. Lori Jean of Cape Girardeau, Gregory Louis of Columbia, Missouri and Krista Jo (Ron) Sanford of Cape Girardeau. Her children were her greatest achievement. Other survivors include sister Judith (Don) Eckert of Crestwood, Missouri and brother Don (Jean) Boehne of Carbondale, Illinois, and several nieces and nephews.

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Lou Ann was also a good game player, whether bridge, cards, or word games, she enjoyed them all.

Married to a minister, she followed him to Cairo, New York where he began Resurrection Lutheran Church. They then moved to Cape Girardeau at St. Andrew Lutheran Church until his retirement in 1996.

Visitation will be at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home on Thursday, March 29, 2018 from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

Funeral service will be Friday, March 30, 2018 at St. Andrew Lutheran Church at 10:00 a.m. with the Rev. Mark Martin officiating.

Memorials may be made to St. Andrew Senior Transportation Fund or to St. Andrew Lutheran Church.

Online condolences may be made at [www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com](http://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com).

# 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 29.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

**MAR 30.** 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Andrew Lutheran Church  
804 N. Cape Rock Dr.  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

# Tribute Wall

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“*Lou Ann was a dear Christian friend and a 1954 classmate of ours at Lutheran High, St Louis. Our friendship continued throughout her life. We have cherished memories of our get-to-gethers, and when we moved to Southeast Missouri it was a special blessing to be able to spend more time with Lou and Lou Ann as they served at St. Andrew Church in "Cape." Lou Ann was a talented lady with a gentle spirit - and we loved her! Our deepest sympathy to her family - Lori, Krista and Ron and Greg - you were her delight! May the Lord be with you and grant you His special peace and the joy of the Resurrection. The Lord has Risen - He has Risen indeed - Alleluia!*

*Leon and Joann Steinbrueck*

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**Leon & Joann Steinbrueck** - March 28, 2018 at 11:21 AM

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*Oh Lori, and everyone... I'm soooo sorry!!! I love you guys so much!!!! Have known them since I've been a little girl...Love and prayers to all of you ..... will miss her as much as I miss your father..... ❤️ Mindy Kelp-Eubanks*

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**Mindy Eubanks** - March 28, 2018 at 12:17 PM

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*Did not know if you received this, but here is a copy of the email I sent out to the members of Resurrection Lutheran Church, Cairo, NY. You all are in our prayers.*

*Pastor Victor Nelson, Resurrection Lutheran Church, Cairo, NY*

*Dear Friends in Christ,*

*In 1959, a young couple, who just finished at the Concordia Seminary, St Louis, were sent Cairo to start a new church. The challenges were immense. But with God's grace and the power of the Holy Spirit, The Rev. Louis Launhardt and his wife, Lu Ann, led the beginning of this congregation, Resurrection Lutheran Church. They made certain that this congregation was established on the right foundation of Jesus Christ, crucified and risen. They led in the naming of this congregation, Resurrection. They also led in selecting the site and the construction of our building. More recently, Lou Ann was instrumental in the stain glass windows in our sanctuary which were dedicated to God in honor of her late husband.*

*Whether we know it or not, we stand on the shoulders of those who have gone before us in faith. All of us in Resurrection Lutheran Church can be thankful to the Lord for the faithfulness of His servants, including the Launhardts. Pastor Launhardt died in 2006, and now Lou Ann joined him in heaven this past Tuesday.*

*Here is Lou Ann's obituary:*

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*May our Lord comfort her family with the hope of the Resurrection of Jesus. And may that be your comfort and strength also.*

*Pastor Victor Nelson*

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**VICTOR NELSON** - March 30, 2018 at 12:10 PM