



## Marsha Edwards

June 20, 1956 - November 15, 2022

At her home early in the morning of Nov. 15, 2022, Marsha Faith Vowels Edwards of Cape Girardeau peacefully passed into heavenly eternity.

An outspoken and devoted follower of Jesus Christ, Marsha's personal life revolved around her faith and her children. Surviving are Myles (Erin) Edwards of Champaign, Illinois and Morghan Faith (Abel) Varnadore of Palmetto, Florida and her grandson Beau Lee Varnadore, who is to arrive in January; and her brother, Michael (Cheryl) Vowels of Ozark, Missouri.

Marsha was born on June 20, 1956 in Cape Girardeau to Marshall and Mary Faith Estes Vowels of Dexter, who preceded her in death. She grew up in Dexter and earned a Bachelor of Science in Public Administration from the University of Missouri, Columbia.

She was a noted entrepreneur who owned a trio of Body Shoppe stores in Cape Girardeau, Dexter and Poplar Bluff. From there, she was a Senior Sales Representative for pharmaceuticals where she won a host of national and state awards and honors. After retirement, she pursued a number of business ventures and volunteer efforts designed to help others.

Marsha loved to travel and was faithful in attending exercise classes. Her many private kindnesses to others are not recorded here.

Visitation will be from 10 am to 12 pm on Saturday, Nov. 19 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau. Immediately following will be a Celebration of Life service. Fred Burgard will officiate.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Healing Rooms of the Heartland, 2502 Tanner Dr., Cape Girardeau, MO 63701.

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

Ford & Sons Funeral Home - Mt. Auburn is in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **19**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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

## Celebration of Life

NOV **19**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

LM

“ Myles and Morghan.. Your Mom is a treasure and I am blessed by being her friend! I treasure our friendship and the many, many, many good times we had together. Her zest for life and having a good time was contagious. I know we all take great comfort in knowing exactly where and who your Mom is with right now - HEAVEN & JESUS. As we mourn her loss here and now, may you take comfort in the hope, peace, love and joy she spread to so many through her great love for Christ, her family and her friends. She definitely lives on in spirit and in our hearts. Hugs,  
Linda Mathson

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**Linda Mathson** - November 29, 2022 at 11:49 AM



“ I Have You In My Heart Plush Blanket was purchased for the family of Marsha Edwards.



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November 21, 2022 at 05:13 PM

SJ

“ I met Marsha when she moved her mother Mary into Auburn Creek ALF. Marsha was a very family first woman. She loved her mother and she loved those two kids Myles and Morghan. She always supported them throughout their life and even spent lots of quality time with them. Mike, Myles and Morghan, please accept my deepest condolences in the loss of your dear sister and mother. She is now reunited with her parents and I pray that gives you some comfort. I will be keeping your entire family in my prayers.

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**Stephanie Johnson** - November 19, 2022 at 07:54 PM

 Webb  
Aarons

“ I met Marsha when I was a young man in high school via her friendship with my Mom & Aunt. I was a lost soul back then but later surrendered my life to Christ and set my life on a new course. I learned back in 2016 that Marsha had also come to know Christ and was living her life for Him and not for the world anymore. While I cherish knowing her over all these years, my best memories of our conversations were as believers and I truly have peace in knowing Marsha’s soul is in Heaven and is feeling a love and healing that this world could never offer. I trust I will see you again friend. Rest easy Marsha and enjoy the love and peace your soul is now experiencing. I pray for God’s healing touch and peace over Marsha’s kids and over her grandson when he arrives.  
In His Name, Rowe

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**Webb Aarons** - November 19, 2022 at 11:16 AM

GH

“ I met Marsha back when her kids were in school at Mizzou. I ended up sitting beside her at church, where I casually commented on her grey nail polish. We spent an hour talking in the parking lot and a true friendship began to grow. We had two very powerful things in common, our love for the LORD and for our children. Both of us would move mountains for our kids. Most of the people I cherish as true friends have been in my life for many years. Marsha’s influence is much more recent, but has been so powerful. I loved her so much it hurts sometimes. She was always praying for me, not silent prayers, but out loud, forceful, over the phone or in person, so I could hear her reaching out to God on my behalf. She has made me a stronger Christian, and for that I am eternally grateful. Her last text to me was about praying for my husband and me. Marsha was an encouraging force in my life and her passing has left a huge hole in my heart, but I know she is smiling down on me right now letting me know I can move forward and be the light to others she was to me. Myles, Morghan, and Mike, I am so sorry for your loss and very sad I am unable to celebrate Marsha’s life in person. I 🙏 for peace and understanding that only comes from God. Marsha was a blessing in my life. Glenda

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**Glenda Hall** - November 19, 2022 at 10:55 AM

JC

“ I pray the children feel Gods loving arms at this time . Also praying for that sweet grandchild still to come. I’m so pleased her faith was so strong and her pain is no more 🙏🙏

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**Jackie Clark-Otto** - November 18, 2022 at 06:12 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marsha Edwards.*



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November 18, 2022 at 01:25 PM



“ *Amber Reed lit a candle in memory of Marsha Edwards*



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**Amber Reed** - November 18, 2022 at 08:22 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marsha Edwards.*



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November 17, 2022 at 05:26 PM



“ *Sara Bohnert lit a candle in memory of Marsha Edwards*



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**Sara Bohnert** - November 17, 2022 at 12:54 PM

DW

*R.I.P my sister I never had. You will be miss daily but I can you ,your Mom and Terry being together. Know you will be watching over us. Love YOU MORE*

don warren - November 17, 2022 at 08:07 PM

SB

*“ I met Marsha probably about 5 years ago at a mutual ministry event and then became a partner in a natural supplement company and then with ASEA Redox company. She was such a strong encouragement and set great example of determination, perserverance, boldness but mostly being motivated by love and the Holy Spirit. My heart goes out to her family, praying God works it ALL for GOOD in incredible ways. Marsha would want even her passing and memory to cause eternal waves and blessing! I will support the Prayer Rooms of the Heartland in her memory.*

Sara Bohnert - November 17, 2022 at 12:52 PM



*“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Marsha Edwards.*



November 17, 2022 at 11:00 AM



*“ Bright and Beautiful Spray was purchased for the family of Marsha Edwards.*



November 17, 2022 at 10:57 AM

SB

“ Stephanie Downing, Amity and Brynna purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Marsha Edwards.



Stephanie Downing, Amity and Brynna - November 17, 2022 at 10:22 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Marsha Edwards.



November 17, 2022 at 09:36 AM

TF

“ The Kratochvil Family purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Marsha Edwards.



The Kratochvil Family - November 17, 2022 at 08:43 AM

LE

“ Love, Your Team "Sarasota Home Experts" purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Marsha Edwards.



Love, Your Team "Sarasota Home Experts" - November 16, 2022 at 11:14 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Marsha Edwards.



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November 16, 2022 at 10:36 PM



“ Marsha and I met 18 years ago when our kids were in grade school. She was the kind of friend who loved unconditionally and intentionally. We attended the same church together for many years and we shared many of the same friends. Our boys have been the best of friends since first meeting and we have shared the joys of parenthood through numerous conversations about our children. She will be missed by many and I feel blessed to have had her as my friend. May she Rest In Peace and May the family find comfort in knowing she made an impact on so many people.

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**Carol Nunnery** - November 16, 2022 at 10:22 PM



“ Marsha and I became friends when she followed me as a rep for the State Community Development Agency. One of my favorite memories is when we would go to the ECCO lounge in Jeff City, and one of us would order a steak and the other would order the hot spiced shrimp, and we would share a dinner. She remained a friend for years until I moved to Georgia, and even after that I ran into her in Cape a couple of times. Always fun, always generous, always positive. Myles and Morghan you were raised by a one of kind gem. Live, laugh and love as she always did. I was blessed to know her, She will always be one of my favorite people in this world.

*Dan Bollinger, Sr.*

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**Dan Bollinger, Sr.** - November 16, 2022 at 09:41 PM

TM

“ Hi Myles & Morghan,  
My deepest sympathy on the loss of your mom. She was a fireball! I enjoyed knowing her through the years and volunteering & serving with her at church. She's rejoicing in Heaven now with family & friends! Hang on to all the great memories you have because she loved you both so much! Praying for you!

Tonia McGill

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**Tonia McGill** - November 16, 2022 at 02:59 PM

AB

“ Myles and Morghan,  
I worked with your sweet sassy mother at Iroko and always remember how you two (and now your families) were her world. Your mom's spirit will live on in so many of us who were lucky enough to have known her but I know you all now have the most amazing guardian angel watching out for you all until you meet her again in Heaven. Sending prayers and love to you all and hoping all of the amazing memories you have had together will get you through the hard times ahead. ❤️ Alyson Beasley

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**alyson beasley** - November 16, 2022 at 02:15 PM

JM

“ As a child in Dexter my brothers and I grew up with Marsha and Mike on Fanetta Street for several years. She was my classmate in high school. My brothers and I continued to see Marsha from time to time in Cape the past years. Always enjoyed talking to her about childhood memories on Fanetta. You could tell that she loved the Lord and her family fiercely and with all her heart. My prayers are with all the family.

Jan Hiett McFerron

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**Jan Hiett McFerron** - November 16, 2022 at 01:50 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marsha Edwards.*



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November 16, 2022 at 01:44 PM



“ *I met Marsha years ago through church. but Just recently, we were reconnected through a Bible Study Group. I'm so grateful for the short time I had being around her once more.*

*She was a kind hearted, faith centered, loving mother and devoted daughter of God.*

*She had an outgoing, infectious personality and could light up a room while her charm.*

*We lost a sweet friend, but heaven has gained an angel.  
Fly high Marsha, now free from pain, you are rejoicing with the Heavenly host and experiencing things we can only dream and anticipate.*

*Love and miss you,*

*Lolita Hayes*

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**Lolita Hayes** - November 16, 2022 at 11:09 AM



“ *Marsha was a kind friend to me--she supported everyone and loved her children fiercely. I am so very sorry*

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**CHRIS ANN SHEETS** - November 16, 2022 at 07:54 AM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marsha Edwards.*



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November 16, 2022 at 07:01 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Marsha Edwards.*



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November 15, 2022 at 10:20 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Marsha Edwards.*



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November 15, 2022 at 07:07 PM