



Martha Stickler

October 25, 1926 - April 6, 2018

Martha S. Stickler passed away Friday, April 6, 2018, at Fountainbleau Lodge. She was born to Sylvester William and Dora E. (Francis) Schafer on October 25, 1924, at Whitewater, Missouri. She graduated from Delta High School where she was active in volleyball and basketball. She went on to receive her Bachelor's Degree in Education from Southeast Missouri State University. Martha taught at Crump for two years, Pecan Grove for 12 years and finally at Jackson R-2 where she taught fifth grade at West Lane Elementary for 29 years.

Martha was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Cape Girardeau for 69 years. She was a Deacon and held various other positions in the church, including Circle Chairman, Fellowship Committee and teaching Sunday School. She volunteered at their dinners for many years and the church dedicated a plaque in the kitchen in her honor.

Martha was a member and past Matron of St. Mark's Chapter OES 167. She was past high priestess of the Calvary Shrine #8 WS of J. She had presided as the Past Grand Royal Matron of Amaranth of the State of Missouri. She also held various offices in the local teacher's sorority and in the Tuesday General Federation of Women's Club.

Martha and William H. Stickler, Jr. wed July 8, 1944, and they were married

for 49 years. He preceded her in death on May 2, 1994.

Martha is survived by a son, Wayne (Karen) Stickler; nieces and a nephew, Cindy McCutcheon, Sandra Schafer, Gale (Ann) Schafer, Madeline (Mark) Mitson, Donna Chambers, Marilyn Schwab, Wanda (Norman) Anderson and Jan (Charlie) Guth. Also surviving are many other close family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, sister, Madlyn (Edwin) Nagel, brothers Peyton (Blanche) Schafer, Nathan (Edna) Schafer and Clayton Schafer, as well as other family members.

Visitation will be from 9:00 am to 11:30 am Monday at First Presbyterian Church in Cape Girardeau, with an Eastern Star Service at 11:00 am.

Funeral will follow at 11:30 am at the church with the Rev. Ellen Gurnon officiating.

Burial will be at Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery in Cape Girardeau.

Memorial contributions may be given to First Presbyterian Church or Humane Society of Southeast Missouri.

Online condolences may be made at 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

APR 9. 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
235 Broadway
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Service

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Tribute Wall

SW

“ Truly a wonderful woman. Mrs. Stickler was my teacher and always a very supportive of her students.

Susan Illers Wells

Susan Illers Wells - April 17, 2018 at 05:58 PM

BP

“ Mrs. Stickler was my 5th. grade teacher many years ago. What a wonderful person she was. So sorry for your loss. God Bless

Beverly Prater - April 12, 2018 at 11:04 PM

GK

“ My condolences to the friends and family of Mrs. Stickler. She was my 5th grade teacher in 1959 (59 years ago). It is amazing how many young lives she positively impacted as an Elementary School teacher. I'm very thankful that she was my teacher.

*Garry Kraemer
Retired USAF Instructor Pilot/Software Engineer
Phoenix, AZ*

Garry Kraemer - April 11, 2018 at 01:38 PM

JT

“ I was so very sorry to read about Mrs. Martha. I remember her being a very sweet and beautiful lady. Wayne, Sis & Donna- you're in our thoughts and Prayers. Judy Bridwell Triplett

Judy Triplett - April 09, 2018 at 09:22 AM

EM

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. She was an amazing person!

Erin May

Erin May - April 09, 2018 at 09:09 AM

CN

“ My grandmother, Helen Rose, lived across the street from Mrs. Stickler on Ranchito. She was such a sweet lady and both of my children, first Garrett and then Kennedy, both mowed Mrs. Stickler's yard for a few years. They were very fond of her and loved listening to her stories. As my mother, Barb Rose Narsh said, I am also sure that the Ranchito ladies are having a wonderful reunion in heaven. I am so sorry for your loss.

Cynda Narsh-Koch - April 08, 2018 at 11:54 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Martha Stickler.



April 08, 2018 at 03:20 PM

SR

“ Martha you and Bill and Wayne were very good neighbors growing up on Ranchito Street. I will always remember your wonderful personality. Regina only got to meet you once and thought highly of you. You had a way of making people feel at ease and important. You are the best.

Steve Rose

Steve Rose - April 07, 2018 at 11:48 PM

MA

“ I remember Martha as bouncing around on the basket ball court, full of energy - last few years was in touch thru phone calls - was surprised when her phone was disconnected - had no idea that she was not well - sounded great last time I talked to her - she will be missed!

Modine Ashcraft-Urbe - April 07, 2018 at 03:03 PM

SW

“ Sandy & Randy Williams purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Martha Stickler.



Sandy & Randy Williams - April 06, 2018 at 08:27 PM