



Mary Louise Dunham

February 1, 1929 - November 19, 2018

Mary Louise Dunham, 89, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Monday, November 19, 2018 at Southeast Hospital.

She was born February 1, 1929 in Cape Girardeau to George and Bernice Unnerstall Reisenbichler.

She and William W. "Bill" Dunham were married July 9, 1950 at Cape Girardeau. He preceded her in death on January 1, 2013.

She was involved in Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts and coached Mary Catherine's softball team. She enjoyed water aerobics and loved roses, gardening and spending time with her family.

She was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Mary C. Dunham of Cape Girardeau; two sons, Robert (Jan) Dunham of Cape Girardeau, Timothy W. (Dr. Rhonda) Dunham of Phoenix, Arizona; two sisters, Betty Fluegge of Gordonville, Missouri and Jean Hewitt of Houston, Texas; eight grandchildren, Bryan (Deborah) Dunham, Patrick (Jenny) Dunham, Jamie (Josh) Purtle, Kirsten (Jonathan) Connell, Stefanie (Cory) Kassel, Ashley Underwood, Misty (Jerry) Dority and Shari (Casey) Rariden; step-grandchild, Billy (Brittany) Underwood;

thirteen great-grandchildren, Nicole (Hershey) Eastman, Evan Dunham, Madilyn Dunham, Olivia Dunham, Cooper Dunham, Jordyn Purtle, Jackson Purtle, Zoey Espinoza, Brayden Kassel, Devin Kassel, Gage Kassel, Alex Blodgett and Nick Blodgett; one step-great-grandchild, Beau Underwood. She is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; one son, William C. Dunham; and one sister, Margie Vinyard.

Visitation will be 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Monday, November 26, 2018 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral service will follow at 11:00 AM at the funeral home the Rev. Daniel Maske officiating.

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

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be given to American Heart Association, Trinity Lutheran School Foundation, and Trinity Lutheran Church Bereavement Committee.

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

Ford & Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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

NOV **26**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LF

“ *Mary (Cathy),
I am so sorry for your loss.
As a little girl growing up in our neighborhood, my memories of your Mom were those of a very sweet and caring woman who always had a smile. One such memory is falling and scraping my knee in your driveway. Your Dad carried me into your kitchen and put me on the countertop as your Mom cleaned and bandaged my knee. I felt so cared for and I never forgot this.
Although I am not able to attend the visitation or service, please know my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family as you say goodbye to your sweet Mom. May your memories of her be a comfort.
Love,
Linda Klinkhardt Farrar*

Linda Farrar - November 26, 2018 at 08:18 AM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Mary Louise Dunham.*



November 23, 2018 at 07:17 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Louise Dunham.*



November 22, 2018 at 02:05 PM

CH

“ Aunt Pat was a very wonderful and sweet person. She was always happy and willing to help any one. Always smiling when she didn't feel good.

One memory is that one year when we visited and stayed with Aunt Pat and Uncle Bill , they over whelming welcoming us into their house there was a lot of laughter and old stories told, I will cherish those memories forever. Aunt Pat was definitely a angel from heaven. We love you and will greatly miss you dearly. Love you,from your nephew and wife, Carl and Betty Hewitt from Texas.



Carl and Betty Hewitt - November 22, 2018 at 01:56 PM



“ Julie Valdez lit a candle in memory of Mary Louise Dunham



Julie Valdez - November 22, 2018 at 12:24 PM

TS

“ Truman and Ruth Smith purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mary Louise Dunham.



Truman and Ruth Smith - November 21, 2018 at 08:44 AM

RW

“ When I was growing up and attending Trinity Lutheran Church, the Dunham Family would be seen weekly. Your mother and father have left not only the legacy of their family, but their involvement through scouting and youth activities. I remember as your parents brought us home after some kind of church youth activity, your father saying to my brother, Walter, and I to keep our faith in God. My prayers for you all, is that your Christian faith comforts you. Your mother is not only with your father but God the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Rita Heimbaugh Weber - November 21, 2018 at 08:03 AM

RW

(My maiden name is Heimbaugh.)

Rita Heimbaugh Weber - November 21, 2018 at 09:06 AM

BV

*Tim
We are keeping your family in our prayers.*

Brad & Janet Verhines - November 22, 2018 at 12:05 PM

RS

“ Our love to the Dunham family and sympathy. We have been neighbors with Mary and Bill Dunham for over 40 years and they are good friends too. She was such an inspiration to all of us and such a positive person. May God bless all of you. Truman and Ruth Smith

RUTH SMITH - November 21, 2018 at 07:38 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mary Louise Dunham.* ”



November 20, 2018 at 08:41 PM