



## Mary Olson

August 9, 1928 - May 1, 2023

Mary L. Olson, 94, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri passed away on Monday, May 1, 2023 at her home being held by her family.

Mary was born on August 9, 1928 to Robert O. and Margery E. (Hanna) McLeod in Doe Run, Missouri.

She and Lee S. Olson were married on March 18, 1957 in LaPorte, Indiana and recently celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary.

Mary was a 1946 graduate of Flat River Central High School. She was primarily a homemaker and worked part time at Famous-Barr and the Cape Girardeau Police Department as an administrative secretary.

Throughout the years she gave piano, violin and accordion lessons. Mary also held various teaching positions at church and enjoyed serving as an election judge. She maintained a Christian home and her dream of becoming a mother was fulfilled when son David and daughter Diane completed her family.

Mary was a member of Lynwood Baptist Church since 1974 and played in the church orchestra.

She was a ten year member of the Girardette Home Extension Club and also

a member of the Winter Texan Orchestra for 29 years. She enjoyed playing the piano at the Cape Senior Center.

Mary and Lee enjoyed 32 winters in Texas and traveled the U.S., Mexico and Canada extensively.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, step-father Chester Hostetler, one infant brother, and sister Alice Jane Machler.

She is survived by her husband Lee; son, David (Molly) Olson; daughter, Diane (Paul) Pierantozzi; sister, Della (David) Hatfield; ten grandchildren; seventeen great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and two sisters-in-law, Joan Olson Stout and Rebecca Olson.

Visitation will be from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Friday May 5, 2023 at Fruitland Community Church.

Funeral Service will follow at the church with the Rev. Mike Parry officiating.

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

Memorial donations may be made to Fruitland Community Church.

Ford and Sons Funeral Home- Mt. Auburn 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

MAY 5. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Fruitland Community Church  
6040 US Highway 61  
Jackson, MO 63755

## Funeral Service

MAY 5. 3:00 PM.

Fruitland Community Church  
Fruitland, MO

# Tribute Wall

SO

“ *Lee, I am so very sorry about you losing Mary. What a wonderful, sweet lady she was. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers for God's peace during this very difficult time. God Bless.*



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**Susie O'Connell** - May 06, 2023 at 12:39 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Olson.*



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May 05, 2023 at 08:32 PM

JB

“ *Oh how we adored Mary at The Book Rack! She always had a story for us and kept us laughing at each visit. We will miss listening to her in the Danielle Steel section (trying to find a book she hadn't yet read) and letting us know how she felt about not finding one. We will definitely miss seeing Mary, visiting with her and laughing with her.*

*Please know, as Mary's family, you are in our thoughts and prayers.*

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**Jennifer & Becky** - May 05, 2023 at 06:20 PM

SW

“ Please accept our deepest condolences for the loss of your mother. May you be comforted by many happy and loving memories in your time of mourning.

*Deepest Sympathy,  
Joe and Sherri Wheeler and family*

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**SHERRI G WHEELER** - May 05, 2023 at 10:20 AM

DB

“ Thinking of you, Lee, and all the good times our group of friends had over the years. Love to David and Diane.

*Donna Barks*

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**Donna Barks** - May 04, 2023 at 10:00 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Olson.



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May 04, 2023 at 06:45 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Olson.



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May 04, 2023 at 08:00 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mary Olson.*



May 03, 2023 at 08:05 PM



“ *Every time I saw Mary playing her accordion I thought to myself " she makes this instrument look so easy to play". I admired her musical talent and sharing it by being a teacher to other people. Mary sent me thoughtful cards for my birthday and Christmas. I know she did the same for other family members . She has been a special sister-in-law to me. I enjoyed receiving the pictures she sent when they had family gatherings. My sincere thoughts go out to Lee, David, Diane and their families and to Mary's sister.*

**Rebecca Olson** - May 03, 2023 at 05:00 PM



“ *The Hatfield and Wright families purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mary Olson.*



**The Hatfield and Wright families** - May 03, 2023 at 03:02 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Olson.*



May 03, 2023 at 12:55 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Olson.*



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May 03, 2023 at 11:18 AM



“ *Lee - My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. I'm glad I had the opportunity to know Mary.*

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**Christy Bollinger** - May 03, 2023 at 10:09 AM



*Prayers for all. I worked with Mary at the old St Francis Hospital. Very sweet lady. Remember when they was so excited about getting David and Diane. My parents delivered eggs to their home. Good folks glad to have known both.*

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**Cordelia Peters** - May 05, 2023 at 07:20 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Olson.*



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May 02, 2023 at 09:25 PM

DH

“ MY SISTER I WILL ALWAYS HOLD YOU IN MY HEART. WE HAVE HAD SO MANY GOOD MEMORIES. REMEMBER THE TIMES WE WOULD START LAUGHING AND COUOLDN'T STOP! YOU HAVE ALWAYS BEEN MY STRENGTH. I WILL JOIN YOU WHEN IT IS MY TIME, DELLA

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**DELLA HATFIELD** - May 02, 2023 at 09:17 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of Mary Olson.



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May 02, 2023 at 02:11 PM