



## Mary Schwab

December 1, 1929 - October 14, 2019

Mary Ruth Joyce Schwab of Cape Girardeau, Missouri died Monday, October 14, 2019 at Delmar Gardens of Chesterfield.

Mary was born December 1, 1929 in Cape Girardeau, the youngest of eight children to James H. Joyce and Ruth Helen Alfultis.

On July 22, 1956, she and James H. "Pete" Schwab were married at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. He preceded her in death on September 22, 1987.

For 25 years she was an assistant to Senator A.M. Spradling, Jr. of Cape Girardeau. She then moved to Boatmen's Bank (Farmers and Merchants) from which she retired in 1994.

In 1969 she became a member of Beta Sigma Phi International women's sorority, achieving Torchbearer (status) degree in 2013.

She loved her family friends and throughout the years, even the deer who ate her flowers and the squirrels who ate her tomatoes. All people and animals seemed to make their way to Mary's heart.

Please join us in the delight and comfort of her memory. Mary is survived by

her son, Patrick and Beth (Elizabeth) Owens Schwab of Grayslake, Illinois and her three grandchildren, Anne Eilis, Owen and Christopher Schwab.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; four sisters, Helen Robinson, Amanda Lorberg, Esther Bivins and Erna Faye Roth; and three brothers, James H. Joyce Jr., Robert F. Joyce and Thomas Joyce.

Visitation will be 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Friday, October 18, 2019 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau, with parish prayers at 7:00 pm.

Service will be at 10:00 am Saturday, October 19, 2019 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau with the Rev. Brian Straus officiating.

Burial will be at St. Mary Cemetery in Cape Girardeau.

Memorial contributions may be given to American Heart Association.

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

Ford & Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Mary Cemetery

1101 Perry Avenue  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 18. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Parish Prayers

OCT 18. 7:00 PM - 7:15 PM (CT)

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Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

## Service

OCT 19. 10:00 AM (CT)

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel  
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# Tribute Wall

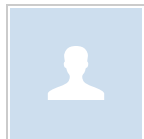


“ *Love - Bill, Traci, Rachel, and Alex Wyatt purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mary Schwab.*



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**Love - Bill, Traci, Rachel, and Alex Wyatt** - October 17, 2019 at 04:39 PM



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



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October 16, 2019 at 11:59 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Sherry James and the Comfort Keepers - At Home Help staff*

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**Sherry James** - October 16, 2019 at 09:37 AM

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“ *Patrick and Family*

*So sorry it was Mary's time. She has been a friend for a long time. I will be out of town this weekend so I will not be there for the service. Just know that all of you will be on my mind. Mary would be proud of whoever bought her home. The yard and plants are looking good and I know she would be happy to see that. So glad we celebrated her fake "90th" Birthday last year. Had not seen here laugh like that in a long time. When she said "Patrick told me I'm only 89" we all had a good chuckle. Anyway hope all goes well. Judie Herbst*

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**Judie Herbst** - October 15, 2019 at 05:31 PM