



Velma Louise Shepard

June 21, 1935 - March 7, 2019

Velma Louise Shepard, 83, of Cape Girardeau, formerly of Whitewater, Missouri died Thursday, March 7, 2019 at Southeast Hospital.

She was born June 21, 1935 in Oak Ridge, Missouri to August E. and Louise Hesse Ackman.

She and Robert B. Shepard were married March 2, 1957 at Cape Girardeau.

She was a graduate of Jackson High School in 1953.

She worked in the billing department at Missouri Utilities Company of Cape Girardeau, Explorer Party Tupperware Sales of Scott City and enjoyed being a homemaker. She was also a 4-H leader for Poplar Ridge 4-H Club.

She enjoyed being active in church, auctions, gardening, antiques and spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren.

She was a former Sunday School Teacher for many years. She was a member of First General Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband of 62 years, Robert Shepard of Cape Girardeau; two daughters, Sandy S. (Bill) Lincoln of Leopold, Missouri and

Terri A. Shetley of Fredericktown, Missouri; two sisters, Sharon (Norman) Chapman of Cape Girardeau and Burna Walker of Jackson, Missouri; sister-in-law, Geraldine Ackman of Sikeston, Missouri; grandchildren, Will and Dale Lincoln, Tasha (Ryan) Allgier, Brylan (Sydney) Moore and Addie Shetley; great grandchildren, Reid and Cade Allgier; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Wayland Ackman and Gary Ackman; and three sisters, Mildred Hitt, Zeta Simms and Wanda Ackman.

Visitation will be held from 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm on Sunday, March 10, 2019 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral service will follow at 3:00 pm Sunday at the funeral home with the Rev. Jim Rudolph officiating.

Burial will be at Russell Heights Cemetery in Jackson.

Memorial contributions may be given to First General Baptist Church in Cape Girardeau.

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

Ford & Sons Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Russell Heights Cemetery

Jackson, MO 63755

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 10. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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

Service

MAR 10. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

KJ

“ So sorry to hear about Velma. She was such a great witness for God. She always lit up my life when I had the opportunity to talk with her.
Prayers go out to Bob and your family. God bless.

Karen Johnson - March 11, 2019 at 08:17 PM

EM

“ Remembering your mom fondly! My deepest sympathy. May Jesus bring you comfort in this difficult time.
Emily Friedrich Mandry and family

Emily Mandry - March 09, 2019 at 02:21 PM

DC

“ Sandy & Terri reading the paper this morning made me remember the 4-H project meetings I had at your home with your mom as a leader. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Donna Ahrens Cook

Donna Ahrens Cook - March 09, 2019 at 09:13 AM