



Victoria Lynn Abernathy

May 13, 1948 - August 1, 2018

Victoria Lynn Abernathy, 70, of Jackson, Missouri died Wednesday, August 1, 2018 at Southeast Hospital.

She was born May 13, 1948 in Cape Girardeau, Missouri to James Reed and Belva Jean Niswonger Litzelfelner.

Victoria was a 1966 Jackson High School graduate where she was active in the marching band as a twirler and head majorette. She attended Southeast Missouri State University and was a member of the Golden Eagles marching band as majorette for the band that performed at the Super Bowl and Pro Bowl half-time shows. She was also a 1971 graduate of Braniff International Airline Flight Attendant School.

She was Braniff Flight Attendant for over 16 years.

She was a member of First Presbyterian Church of Jackson, Jackson Noon Optimist and American Business Women's Association. She served as a Jackson Homecomer's Talent Show Judge, Jackson Heritage Association President and Oliver House Tour Guide, representative to lobby U.S. Congress for diabetes research funding, representative to Democratic National Convention, substitute teacher and private tutor, board member for the Jackson Heritage Association, SEMO Alliance for Disability Independence

and American Diabetes Association.

Victoria was the recipient of the Jackson Heritage Association award as outstanding citizen of the community. In 1964 she was named the Jackson Sesquicentennial Queen.

Survivors include one daughter, Mandy (Michael) Eakins of Nicholasville, Kentucky; one brother, Jim (Ella Lorraine) Litzelfelner and one sister, Wendy Hayes both of Jackson, Missouri; one niece, Lacey Hayes of Nashville, Tennessee; one nephew, A.J. Litzelfelner of Tampa, Florida; and best friend, Terri Tomlin of Jackson, Missouri.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Friends may call 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Friday, August 3, 2018 at Ford & Sons Jackson Funeral Home.

Funeral service will be at 11:00 am Saturday, August 4, 2018 at the funeral home in Jackson with the Rev. Grant Gillard officiating.

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

Memorial contributions may be given to Jackson R-2 School Foundation.

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

AUG 3. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Jackson
708 W. Main Street
Jackson, MO 63755

Service

AUG 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Today I was thinking of Vicki and remembering shopping for Majorette Boots the year we performed at the Super Bowl. I wish she were here to share memories. LaDonna Harmon Suttle

LaDonna Harmon Suttle - October 20, 2019 at 09:48 PM

Lee
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“ So sorry to hear about the passing of Victoria and my sympathies to the family. Have fond memories of Vickie from high school days of being in the Chiefs Marching Band and her as Majorette. A lot of fun times. Will miss your bubbly personality and humor. RIP.

Lee M. Fronabarger
JHS Class of '67

Lee Fronabarger - August 04, 2018 at 09:20 PM

JB

“ RIP GOOD FRIEND. MANY WONDERFUL AND FUNNY TIMES AT JHS, THE PALACE THEATER AND WIB'S. WE WILL MISS YOU. PETE BERTLING JHS '64

JOE "PETE" BERTLING - August 04, 2018 at 04:19 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Victoria Lynn Abernathy.



August 03, 2018 at 04:49 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Victoria Lynn Abernathy.



August 03, 2018 at 06:24 AM



“ Beverly Prater lit a candle in memory of Victoria Lynn Abernathy



beverly Prater - August 02, 2018 at 11:10 PM



I was viewing the Super Bowl V halftime show today & there was Vicki. We were in the Golden Eagles together for this event. I did not realize until today she had passed. Rest in peace dear lady.

Mark Rhodes JHS '69 Golden Eagles '69 - '73

Mark Rhodes - November 12, 2020 at 06:24 PM



“ Vicki was a wonderful friend for 50 years. She faced everyday challenges with a smile and determination. She left a “footprint “ in my life’s path. ❤️🕊️ Steve Hodges

steve hodges - August 02, 2018 at 10:01 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Victoria Lynn Abernathy.* ”



August 02, 2018 at 06:51 PM