



Eleanor Margaret Staley

January 24, 1944 - October 27, 2018

Eleanor Margaret Staley, 74, of Murphysboro, passed away at 2:10 a.m. Saturday, October 27, 2018, at her residence, that she had made with her daughter Paula for the past few years. It was Paula's pleasure to have her mother live with her.

Eleanor was born on January 24, 1944, in Gibson County, Indiana, to Rev. Paul Staley and Mary Margaret (Hurt) Staley.

She had worked for twenty plus years and retired as a custodian with SIU-C. Then she went to work at the DeSoto Grade School.

Eleanor was Baptist by faith and attended the DeSoto Baptist Church in DeSoto.

She was a member and an officer in T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), and she graduated to K.O.P.S. (Keep Off Pounds Sensibly), where, in both organizations, many of the members were her special friends.

Eleanor is survived by three daughters Kimberly (Brian) Dotson of Cambria, Tina (Mike) Sosbe of St. John, IN, and Paula Carson of Murphysboro;

seven grandchildren Tiffany (Stephen) Bayer, Brittany (Kris) Russell, Michael

(Kaella) Sosbe, Jennifer Sosbe, Waylon (Jennifer) Porter, Amanda (Kyle) Tuttle, and Abigail (Ben) Canaley;

twenty-two great grandchildren;

one sister Esther Hicks of DeSoto; five sisters in law, Sandy Staley and Sharon Staley, both of Evansville, IN, Jean Staley of London, KY, Carolyn Winget of Hurst, and Helen Dixon of Carbondale;

fifteen dearly loved nieces and nephews, many cousins, and a dear special friend, who was like a sister, Helen Bisaga of Murphysboro.

She was preceded in death by a son in law Deon Carson, two great grandchildren Gabriella Bayer and Baby Tuttle, three brothers Lloyd Staley, Robert Staley, and Warren Staley, one sister and brother in law Nell and Bill Barrett and also a brother in law Robert Hicks, and her parents.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, November 3, 2018, at Pettett Funeral Home and burial at DeSoto Cemetery. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the Maumee General Baptist Church, 9482 W State Route 165, Owensville, IN 47665, where Eleanor's father had been a pastor and now her niece's husband is pastor. For more information, please visit www.pettettfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Crain Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Eleanor Margaret Staley*



Crain Funeral Home - October 27, 2018 at 12:00 AM



“ *Eleanor Margaret Staley*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Sending thoughts of sympathy to all of the family.
May God wrap his loving arms around you all and give you peace
as we know he has given Eleanor.*

Sandra Kolb - October 30, 2018 at 07:59 AM

JW

“ I had the pleasure of knowing Ms. Staley for a short time many years ago. I had been working for Addus Healthcare and the family had visited me to begin services for her. Then, I moved to administrator of River to River Assisted Living in Murphysboro and she came to visit me once. She was such a sweet lady and I enjoyed spending time with her. I often wondered what happened to her, as I hadn't heard from her in a few years. May she now be walking the streets of gold in our Lord Savior's presence. My condolences to her lovely family.

Jane Williams - October 29, 2018 at 11:50 AM

DM

“ Dear Eleanor's family,
Eleanor has been a big part of Tops all of the years that I have been going. She is already missed greatly. I came back to Tops because Eleanor saw me at the grocery store and suggested that I come back. With her and her good friend Fay, a loving accepting atmosphere was created at our meetings. Prayers for all of you and her.
Sorry I will be out of town for her service, but will keep you all in my thoughts. Much love to all.

Debbie Martin - October 28, 2018 at 02:52 PM

KI

“ Momma bear, How am I suppose to go on?? How am I suppose to do this? I know you are home and I'll see you again when my days are over here, but how am I to do this? I tried so hard to help you to get well, I know you are all healed now, and there is no cancer in your body, your knees are new. You are with God and experiencing so many awesome things, You are seeing our Great God in all his wonder! You are hearing the angels and all of heaven worshipping our God! I am so happy for you and so sad for me. Momma love you so! Thank you for all the happy times, and even the hard times. Thank you for loven my daughters and my grandchildren. You shared so many memories with us! Thank you for all those text messages and messenger text, where we pour our hearts out with each other. Thank for telling me, you've always been proud of me. Thank you for all the smlles you'd give me, while you were so ill. Thank you for knowing, I loved you so much and was doing my best all these weeks and months to help you recieve your healing. Thank you for doing better while i was near you, caring for you, loven on you. I'm sorry for the times I couldn't be there. Mondays were so hard on you. You tried so hard to be there for everyone, even during your weakest time. Thank you for all the ways you fought for me. Thank you being so strong, I know it was hard for you to leave us, it sure is hard to let you go! Thank you for receiving Jesus as your Lord bc of that we came be together in Heaven, when it's my time to go home. I will be missing you everyday. I'll be using God's prayer line to send you my continued love. I'm so thankful for God's heaven for us all, but you are suppose to be here !

Kimberly - October 28, 2018 at 11:20 AM