



## Felicia Fox (née Snider)

December 29, 1938 - September 19, 2025

IN MEMORY OF:

Felicia Fox (née Snider)

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – CAPE GIRARDEAU

829 North West End Boulevard, Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Felicia Fox (née Snider), a devoted educator, tireless volunteer, and cherished member of the Cape Girardeau community, passed away on September 19, 2025, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. She was 86 years old.

Born on December 29, 1938, in Urbana, Illinois, Felicia moved to Cape Girardeau at a young age and remained deeply rooted in the community throughout her life. She graduated from College High in 1956 and went on to earn a Bachelor's degree in Education as well as two Master's degrees from Southeast Missouri State University—an academic journey that reflected her lifelong commitment to learning and teaching.

Felicia dedicated 31 years of her professional life to the Sikeston Public School System, where she shaped the minds and hearts of countless

students. Her passion for education extended beyond the classroom through her active involvement in local initiatives and mentorship.

A woman of deep faith, Felicia was a lifelong member of First Christian Church—now known as Abbey Road Christian Church—in Cape Girardeau. She held the unique distinction of being the first infant placed in the nursery of the newly constructed church on West End Boulevard. Her enduring presence there was a testament to her spiritual devotion and love for her community.

Felicia's generosity knew no bounds. She gave freely of her time and energy, volunteering extensively across Cape Girardeau. In recognition of her service, she received the Vernice Baumstark Award in 2007 for her contributions at St. Francis Medical Center. Additionally, she logged over 5,000 volunteer hours at the Cape Girardeau Conservation Center—a reflection of both her dedication and love for nature.

Her hobbies included quilting, working puzzles, and gardening—activities that brought her joy and allowed her creativity to flourish.

Felicia is lovingly remembered by her children: Christi Fox Morrow and husband Jeffrey of West Hartford, Connecticut; David L. Fox and his wife Tammy of Cape Girardeau; and Cheryl A. Sutherland of Portland, Texas. She also leaves behind grandchildren Kiefer and Reid Morrow; Amanda Smith; Eric Armstrong and his wife Angela; as well as great-grandchildren Donald and Phoebe Padgett and Julius Smith.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Donald Ray Fox, brothers Richard Eugene Snider and Robert Allen Snider, son-in-law Thomas Smith as well as by her longtime close companion Edgar Balsman.

Felicia Fox's legacy lives on through the many lives she touched—as an

educator, volunteer, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, friend, and faithful servant to her community. May her memory bring comfort to those who knew and loved her.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM at Crain Funeral Home and Cremation Service, 829 North West End Boulevard, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701. A Funeral Service will be held on Thursday, September 25, 2025, at 10:00 AM with Pastor Mary Ann Heinsman officiating at the funeral home.

Ementombment will follow the service at Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery in Cape Girardeau.

The family requests that memorial contributions may be made to Abbey Road Christian Church, 2411 Abbey Road, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701.

Crain Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Cape Girardeau is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery

2315 US-61  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701  
(573) 334-1909

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **24.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (cst)

Crain Funeral Home - Cape Girardeau  
829 N. West End Blvd  
(4 blocks north of Southeast Hospital)  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701  
(573) 335-3223  
crain@crainsonline.com

## Funeral Service

SEP **25.** 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (cst)

Crain Funeral Home - Cape Girardeau  
829 N. West End Blvd  
(4 blocks north of Southeast Hospital)  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701  
(573) 335-3223  
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## Entombment

SEP **25**. 11:45 AM - 12:15 PM (cst)

Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery  
2315 US-61  
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701  
(573) 334-1909

# Tribute Wall

JW

“ We surely do miss seeing Felicia on her porch, working in her flower beds, and walking her late dog Miya and then Beep around the neighborhood loop. Felicia was always wearing a smile and waving at each of us. She was the first neighbor to greet new arrivals over the years and with offer of iris bulbs if wanted some! It is still very sad to drive or walk by her pretty home. I know her heavenly home is beyond compare....

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**Janeann Ward** - October 24, 2025 at 10:41 AM

DG

“ David, Cheryl, & Christy you have my deepest sympathy. I always enjoyed talking with your mom when she came in to see Dr. Mapes. She was full of energy. I hope I can stay lively like she did. Now she is celebrating with your dad. Sorry I missed the visitation. Sorry for your loss.

*Dotty Gholson*

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**Dotty Gholson** - September 26, 2025 at 09:34 AM

JJ

“ My condolences to all the family. It was wonderful to see my first best friend, Cheryl, and meet her beautiful family. Also wonderful to see Christi and meet her handsome family. It was so nice to visit for a minute, even though under sad circumstances. My prayers are with you all —Christi, David and Cheryl. May you feel God’s comfort and love. Your mother was one of a kind, always giving and always busy!

*Jayne (Bertrand) Juneau*

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**Jayne Juneau** - September 24, 2025 at 09:13 PM

FB

“ Knew Felicia as a volunteer at the Nature Center. Sorry I can't be at the funeral. She was a really nice lady. My condolences to the family and friends. May she rest in peace.

*Fred. Bollinger*

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**Fred. Bollinger** - September 24, 2025 at 04:10 PM

JB

“ JIM and Jeanne Barbatti purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Felicia Fox (née Snider).



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**JIM and Jeanne Barbatti** - September 24, 2025 at 09:58 AM

DB

“ Felicia was the hardest working young women I can remember. She started building her home next to my Mom and Dad (Frank and Martha Bertrand) on Butler Street in around 1960. Felicia would show up around 6 am and work until dark for about 14 months. She was the general contractor for the project and completed many of the task herself. She was a good neighbor to Mom and Dad for several decades then her growing family made the Fox's look for a bigger home. She will be remembered by the six kids next door that called her Ms. Felicia and played with Christi, David and Cheryl. Thanks for being good friends, your old neighbor Dennis Bertrand.



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**Dennis Bertrand** - September 23, 2025 at 06:11 PM

JD

“ I had the privilege of knowing Felicia in her volunteer role at the Nature Center. Her dedication to the cause of preserving our natural environment was a shining example to all the volunteers there. She will truly be missed. I extend my deepest sympathy to her family.

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**JO ANNE DICKERSON** - September 23, 2025 at 08:36 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Felicia Fox (née Snider).



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September 22, 2025 at 08:49 PM

JS

“ Our houses on Henderson faced each other. Each of us had chairs on our front porch where we sat to begin the day and end the day depending on the weather! We made the trek across the street when there was a storm coming!

*There has been habitual waving in the sighting! I may not see her on the front porch but she is still there watching the neighborhood!*

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**Jane Cooper Stacy** - September 22, 2025 at 07:48 PM