



Shirley Karraker

September 19, 1929 - December 19, 2021

Shirley Ann Karraker, age 92, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, formerly of Johnston City, Illinois, passed away on Sunday, December 19, 2021 at 4:15 a.m. at Ratliff Care Center in Cape Girardeau.

Shirley was born on September 19, 1929 in Johnston City, a daughter of John and Thelma (Williams) Beaver. She and Richard Karraker were married on June 6, 1959 in First Baptist Church in Johnston City, and he preceded her in death on April 24, 2014. Shirley graduated from Johnston City High School in 1947. After high school she entered the School of Nursing at Christian Welfare Hospital in East St. Louis, Illinois, graduating in September of 1950. She worked at the V.A. Medical Center in Marion, Illinois for nine years. After her marriage, she moved to Cape Girardeau and was employed at Southeast Hospital for thirty-five years. She worked in many different departments throughout her time there and retired in 1994. Shirley was a member of Lynwood Baptist Church and sang in the choir there for many years.

Survivors include her son, Tim (Julia) Karraker of Cape Girardeau; grandchildren, Thomas Karraker of Cape Girardeau and Rachel (David) Wynn of South Fulton, Tennessee; one great-grandson, Levi Wynn; a sister, Phyllis Sanders of Johnston City; a brother, John A. Beaver of Johnston City; four nieces; and a nephew.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Richard Karraker; and a sister, Joy Beaver.

Funeral Services will be held at Crain Funeral Home in Cape Girardeau on Wednesday, December 22, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. with Reverend Wavis Jordan officiating. Burial will follow at 1:00 p.m. at Missouri Veteran's Cemetery in Bloomfield. A time of visitation will be held at the funeral home from 9:00 a.m. until services.

In lieu of customary remembrances, the family requests memorial contributions be made to the Lynwood Baptist Church or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Envelopes will be available and accepted at the funeral home.

Crain Funeral Home & Cremation Service of Cape Girardeau has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Missouri Veteran's Cemetery

Bloomfield, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **22**. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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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Interment

DEC **22**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Shirley Karraker

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Shirley Karraker.



December 21, 2021 at 04:48 PM



“ Shirley was such a sweet lady. I'm so thankful that I had the opportunity to know her.

Christy Bollinger - December 21, 2021 at 10:27 AM



“ Tim, I want to let you know you are in my prayers. Your mother was a very special lady to me. Loved seeing her in our choir on a regular basis. When our daughter had surgery years ago, she was on duty in the area. Debra was a frightened child and she liked that "that lady with the pretty white hair from the choid" was with her. The surgery took much longer than expected and Shirley was so great to come report to us. That is just one time I recall having a nice interaction with your mother. Treasure her memory as I do.

Judy Eggley

Jewel "Judy" Eggley - December 21, 2021 at 10:09 AM