Mary Olson August 9, 1928 - May 1, 2023

Obituary for Mary Olson

Mary L. Olson, 94, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri passed away on Monday, May 1, 2023 at her home being held by her family.

Mary was born on August 9, 1928 to Robert O. and Margery E. (Hanna) McLeod in Doe Run, Missouri.

She and Lee S. Olson were married on March 18, 1957 in LaPorte, Indiana and recently celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary.

Mary was a 1946 graduate of Flat River Central High School. She was primarily a homemaker and worked part time at Famous-Barr and the Cape Girardeau Police Department as an administrative secretary.

Throughout the years she gave piano, violin and accordion lessons. Mary also held various teaching positions at church and enjoyed serving as an election judge. She maintained a Christian home and her dream of becoming a mother was fulfilled when son David and daughter Diane completed her family.



Mary was a member of Lynwood Baptist Church since 1974 and played in the church orchestra.

She was a ten year member of the Girardette Home Extension Club and also a member of the Winter Texan Orchestra for 29 years. She enjoyed playing the piano at the Cape Senior Center.

Mary and Lee enjoyed 32 winters in Texas and traveled the U.S., Mexico and Canada extensively.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, step-father Chester Hostetler, one infant brother, and sister Alice Jane Machler.

She is survived by her husband Lee; son, David (Molly) Olson; daughter, Diane (Paul) Pierantozzi; sister, Della (David) Hatfield; ten grandchildren; seventeen great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and two sisters-in-law, Joan Olson Stout and Rebecca Olson.

Visitation will be from 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Friday May 5, 2023 at Fruitland Community Church.

Funeral Service will follow at the church with the Rev. Mike Parry officiating.

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

Memorial donations may be made to Fruitland Community Church.

Ford and Sons Funeral Home- Mt. Auburn is in charge of arrangements.

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