



Mildred Ellen Flippo

August 3, 1922 - May 11, 2020

Mildred Ellen Flippo, 97, passed away May 11, 2020 at St Luke's Nursing Center. Mildred was born August 3, 1922 in Seneca, MO to Joseph Franklin Slater and Lorena May "Clark" Slater. She was a lifetime Carthage resident and a nurse's aid for 28 years. Mildred attended the Fellowship Baptist Church of Carthage.

Mildred was married to Coy Mitchell May 18, 1940; he preceded her in death February 14, 1970. Mildred then married Robert Flippo in 1971; he preceded her in death April 26, 2015.

Mildred is survived by two daughters, Ronda K. Hakala and Carolyn Barlow both of Carthage; one son, Rex Mitchell of Carthage; 24 grandchildren, 68 great grandchildren and 28 great-great grandchildren, along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Mildred is preceded in death by one daughter, Loretta May Hendrix; one son, Coy Eugene Mitchell; one sister, Dorothy May Campbell; two brothers, Edward James Slater and Ronnie Joe Slater.

Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, May 14, 2020 at Ulmer Funeral Home. Visitation will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at Ulmer Funeral Home. Burial will be at Park Cemetery.

Contributions can be made to the Salvation Army in care of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Online condolences can be made at www.ulmerfh.com.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Park Cemetery

801 South Baker
Carthage, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 13. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Ulmer Funeral Home
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Service

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Tribute Wall

JC

“ Ronda, I am very sorry for your loss. Mildred was a very special person to me. She brought me joy, happiness, and lots of love and filled a void in my life when my own mother died. I will never forget her and she will live on in my heart forever.

Julie Connell - May 13, 2020 at 10:30 AM

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“ Mildred & I (Susan Wilson of TX) had a unique friendship that started back in the 1990s at Park Manor Nursing Home in Desoto, TX. As coworkers there, I was the LVN, and Mildred was my dependable nurse assistant. Even though Mildred was already in her 60s, she out-performed CNAs half her age. Her resident patients loved her. I was disappointed when Mildred told me she was moving back to MO. But, then it was suggested we keep in touch via pen pal letters. Little did I know then, how serious Mildred would take this correspondence endeavor. Year after year, she wrote and shared her life with me. She encouraged me when I slacked off on replying. She would playfully chide me at those times... "Why haven't you written? Are you sick? Are you in the hospital? Is your finger broke?" I would smile to myself, & Mildred would soon get another letter. After 20 or so years, I started bragging to my family & friends that I had the oldest pen pal around. They were amazed at her age, and her insistence on doing the writing by herself. Soon, everyone close to me knew who Mildred Flippo was, and, even wanted updates on her. My incredible, irrepressible pen pal faithfully corresponded with me up until April 2020 when she was 97 years & 8 months old! I loved her with all my heart, and she loved me. I'll never forget my precious friend. Mildred's pen-pal buddy, Susan

Susan Wilson - May 12, 2020 at 06:40 PM

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“ Ronda I am very sorry for your loss. Mildred was a very special person. She brought happiness, joy, and lots of love to those of us who were fortunate enough to have the pleasure of knowing Mildred and caring for her. She will always hold a very special place in my heart. I love you Mildred. Gone but never forgotten. Love, Julie

Julie Connell - May 12, 2020 at 03:34 PM