



Pauletta Jean Keller

September 8, 1929 - December 6, 2020

Pauletta Jean Keller, 91, went to be with her Lord Jesus Christ, the one she bragged about so long, on Sunday, December 6, 2020 at St. Luke's Nursing Home in Carthage. Pauletta was born September 8, 1929 in Carthage to Paul and Daisy (Palone) Sanders. She was a teacher's aide in the Carthage R-9 School District and attended First Church of the Nazarene in Carthage.

Pauletta was a farm girl, proud of her Cherokee heritage, painted rocks, wrote poetry and loved to sing. She loved people and animals and was happiest on the farm, but also loved to travel; she had been to all 50 states.

Pauletta was united in marriage to Gleman Keller on November 24, 1949; he preceded her in death.

Pauletta is survived by two sons, Kevin Keller of Carthage and Kirk Keller (Heather) of Palm Coast, FL; two daughters, Kenda Yust (Brian) of Seneca and Kris Vinson (Gary) of Joplin; 10 grandchildren, Kendrick Snyder (Deborah) of California, Cassie Keller of Joplin, Jacqueline Ford (Jake) of Ohio, Cherokee Miller (Kyle) of Carthage, Elijah Vinson (Hailey) of Carthage, Mac Yust of Kentucky, Hampton Yust of Joplin, Curtis Keller of Neosho, Nathanael Vinson (Bri) of Carthage and Kaitlin Stacy (Bryan) of Neosho, along with six great grandchildren.

Pauletta was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Jim Sanders.

There will be an open visitation from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 at Ulmer Funeral Home. A formal visitation will be held on Thursday, December 10th from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m. at Ulmer Funeral Home. Graveside services will follow at 2:00 p.m. at Avilla Cemetery.

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

Arrangements are under the direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Avilla Cemetery

Avilla, MO

Previous Events

Open Visitation

DEC 9. 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Ulmer Funeral Home
1208 S. Garrison
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Graveside Service

DEC 10. 2:00 PM (CT)

Avilla Cemetery
Avilla, MO

Tribute Wall

DC

“ *Paulette was my teacher in high school. She was the sweetest lady I had ever met and she glowed with God's holy spirit, she got me to go to church with her. Paulette and Gleman was wonderful people and good friends to my mom and dad.*

Daniele (Della) Glodt Clark - September 03, 2024 at 10:45 AM

LB

“ *One great Lady.. My sincere condolences to the family..May She RIP .you will be.missed by many..*

Lucille Benefiel - December 15, 2020 at 06:53 AM

DS

Paulette was one of the sweetest ladies I've ever known. I worked with her at the school and was instantly drawn to her by her sweet, compassionate spirit and her obvious love for the Lord. She was always upbeat and positive and a blessing to all. My sincere condolences to the family.

Debbie Stephens - December 28, 2020 at 11:28 AM

GJ

“ *How I remember Pauletta --and Gleman! What wonderful, and truly Christ-like people they. They both had a great sense of humor, yet they were extremely serious-minded when it came to discussions regarding our Savior, Jesus Christ! Now, they are together in Heaven with my dear wife and our LORD! What a reunion Heaven is and will be!*

Gene L. Jeffries - December 13, 2020 at 09:38 AM

KV

They had very fond memories with you and your wife!! Yes, what a great reunion!! Maybe the Lord will come back today!!!

Kris Vinson - December 18, 2020 at 05:52 AM

AJ

“ *Your momma loved you all so very much and was so proud of each of you. What a blessing for a mom to have such a family. That love extended to the rest of us too. Her forever smile and twinkling eyes will always be a part of me. Pauletta could light up a room immediately. Her love for God and the importance He played in her life was a great example. No doubt about her commitment! It was a pleasure to see your mom in the halls of CHS all those years and then after my retirement when we saw each other around town. My deepest sympathy to all of you and your families. You are in my thoughts and prayers. May you feel God's presence surrounding you. Pauletta....a life well lived. Love, Alice Johns*



Alice Johns - December 09, 2020 at 04:20 PM

Kevin Keller

Thanks so much for your kind words; it was always a pleasure seeing you at WalMart and around town when Mom and I were out living life!

Kevin Keller - December 11, 2020 at 10:28 AM

PW

“ *Praying for your family! I so enjoyed growing up with you guys in the Carthage Nazarene church - good memories of everyone, but especially of your mom's ready smile and singing in the choir!*

Pat Watkins - December 09, 2020 at 10:49 AM

CD

“ I was blessed enough to work side by side with Pauletta in the same room every school day for 13 years. That is a lot of time! It never got old. I loved her. Every day she came in as a ray of sunshine and made me and every child we served feel the warmth and love that shone through her. You just couldn't help letting it into your heart. Thank you, Pauletta, for enriching so many of our lives in so many ways.

Love always,
Carolyn Detert

Carolyn Detert - December 08, 2020 at 06:20 PM

KV

Thank you for the kind words!! She loved you and everyone of those kids!! She loved her job!!

Kris Vinson - December 09, 2020 at 11:05 AM

Kevin Keller

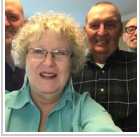
So many wonderful tributes, but this one so very extra special. Thank you, beyond what words can express! As her memories faded, she was still talking about her years in the classroom and kids she worked with up until sometime in 2017.

Kevin Keller - December 09, 2020 at 11:36 AM

DI

“ special sweet lady

Diana (White) Impson - December 08, 2020 at 06:04 PM



“ Kevin, Kirk, Kendra, and Krissy,
 We are so sorry for the loss of your sweet mother. So many good memories of spending time with your parents. May your family be comforted by the knowledge that your mom and dad are together again. Our loss is heaven’s gain. Love you all!
 John and Darlene Sherrel

M Darlene Sherrel - December 08, 2020 at 02:19 PM

KV

We do have some great memories together!! ❤️

Kris Vinson - December 08, 2020 at 05:52 PM

LG

“ I loved Pauletta. She was a bright light. Prayers of comfort to her family and friends.

LISA L GRIFFITH - December 08, 2020 at 12:44 PM

BS

“ Most beautiful and lovely lady to pass in the hallways of Carthage High School. Her caring heart and precious smile with a sweet smile.



Beth Skinner - December 08, 2020 at 11:11 AM

SJ

“ Such a sweet lady. I remember many Sundays when she and her family would be at Mazzios when we came in with our kids. We both often had kids from church with us. I think she also helped with a bus ministry at the same time we did. I always enjoyed visiting with her. She definitely had a love for the Lord. She will be missed.

Sherryle Jones - December 07, 2020 at 09:56 PM

TJ

Miss Paulette was so sweet, and loved the Lord so much! We sang in the choir with her, she will be greatly missed!

Tammy Jackson - December 08, 2020 at 05:33 PM

Kevin
Keller

“ 22 files added to the album Memories Album



Kevin Keller - December 07, 2020 at 08:21 PM