



## Billie Ann Counts

May 13, 1947 - January 13, 2020

Billie Counts, 72, passed away peacefully on 1/13/2020 at Cox Hospital in Springfield, MO. Billie was born in Gainesville, MO on 5/13/1947 to Hayden and Cleo Griffin. Billie was a 1965 graduate of Paseo High School in Kansas City, MO. After starting a family and settling in Hemingford, NE she was able to stay at home with her daughter for several years. After deciding to go back to work, Billie worked as a cook at the school in Hemingford for 10 years. She then decided to make a change and obtain her real estate license and was a real estate agent for Podiasky Real Estate in Alliance, NE for 10 years, which is where she retired from in 2010.

She was an active member of First Baptist Church in Alliance, NE for 25 years where she served as a Sunday school teacher, played piano for services, and helped with Bible school in the summer. She also became a member of the First Baptist Church in Bolivar, MO when her and her husband moved here in 2010. Church has always been a central piece of Billie's life. Even as a young girl she played the piano at church for her father, who led music. Billie love to do crafts. She enjoyed sewing, making jewelry, crocheting, and embroidering. She will be remembered for her kindness towards people, her hospitality, the love she had for her family and friends, and most of all her relentless faith in Jesus Christ her Savior, who she served faithfully all her life.

She is preceded in death by her father and mother, Hayden and Cleo Griffin,

and her oldest sister, Opaline Boatright. She is survived by her husband Danny, her daughter Deanna, her middle sister and brother-in-law Nadine and Bill Ray, and several nieces and nephews.

Family, friends, and others whose lives Billie touched are invited to Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar, MO for visitation on 1/15/2020 from 4:00–6:00 p.m. and to the funeral at First Baptist Church on 1/16/2020 in Bolivar, MO at 11:00 a.m.

Memorials in honor of Billie's life may be made for the missions of First Baptist Church in Bolivar.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenwood Cemetery

S. Dunnegan Ave.  
Bolivar, MO 65613

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **15**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Butler Funeral Home - Bolivar  
407 E. Broadway  
Bolivar, MO 65613  
(417) 326-5233  
<https://butlerfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

JAN **16**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church  
316 N. Main  
Bolivar, MO 65613

# Tribute Wall



“ *Billie Ann Counts*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Billie Ann Counts*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Billie Ann Counts.*



January 15, 2020 at 03:25 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Billie Ann Counts.*



January 14, 2020 at 07:37 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Billie Ann Counts.*



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January 13, 2020 at 11:37 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Billie Ann Counts.*



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January 13, 2020 at 10:02 PM



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January 13, 2020 at 09:39 PM