



Deva Louise Kirchner

June 21, 1932 - September 9, 2015

DEVA LOUISE (POE) KIRCHNER Deva Louise Kirchner departed this life at 2:46 am on Wednesday, September 9, 2015 as a resident of CMHCF in Bolivar, MO with her daughter, Christena, holding her hand. She died of natural causes after a gradual decline of health at the age of 83 yrs, 2 mos, and 19 days. Deva was born June 21, 1932 in the home of her maternal grandmother, Viola Thatch, in the south part of Wheatland, in Hickory County MO, to Jesse Jess Fay Poe and Jessie Katherine (Thatch) Poe. Her first home with her parents was on a farm that was about 1 miles west and mile south of Elkton MO. Deva attended grade school for 2 yrs at Shady Grove, a country school about 4 miles west of Elkton. Next, she attended Sunny Slope, a country school about 1 mile north of Flemington, where she graduated from the 8th grade. She attended Humansville High School for 3 yrs and then attended Weaubleau High School for 1 yr where she graduated from in 1952. Deva moved with her mother to San Bernardino CA in Dec 1952. Deva married Roy Stanley Kirchner, Jr. on April 7, 1954. They married in the Church of the Nazarene in San Bernardino. They first met when Deva was a freshman and Roy was a senior at Humansville High School. Roy had enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in July 1951. They had a military life together until Roy retired in August 1971. Some of their homes together during this time included Wiesbaden Germany, Le Vesinet France-near Paris, Washington D.C., San Bernardino, and Albuquerque NM. Deva and Roy met for 5 days at Ft DeRussy near Honolulu Hawaii during Roy's Vietnam year of '67-'68. They

called this their 2nd honeymoon. After Roy's retirement, they lived a few months in Humansville with Roy's parents. On January 1, 1972, they moved to a home which they bought at 604 S Lillian Ave in Bolivar MO. Deva remained in this home until April 28, 2014. Roy had passed away there on April 10, 2014. They were blessed with 60 yrs & 3 days of marriage! Three children were born to their union: Christena, Angelena, and Roy III. Deva also had a son before her marriage to Roy. His name was Terry Lee Poe. Deva was a homemaker her entire life. She was a kind, sweet, loving wife and mother. She enjoyed being a member of the Polk County Genealogical Society, where she was an original member for over 20 yrs. She attended church with Roy at various churches in Bolivar. She lastly attended church with her 2 daughters at Rock Prairie Missionary Baptist. Deva was preceded in death by her husband, Roy; her daughter, Angelena Jean (Kirchner) Mollet Hirsch of Mexico MO; her son, Terry; her sister, Maxine; and her parents. Deva is survived by her daughter Christena Louise (Kirchner) Barber of Bolivar MO; her son Roy Stanley Kirchner, III of Clinton MO; her grandchildren: Atha (Barber) Schatz and husband Benjamin of KC MO, Nathan Barber and wife Misty of Ozark AL, Joshua Barber and wife Lauren of Olathe KS, Marissa Barber and companion David Hasler of Willard MO, Glen Mollet and Mike Mollet both of Rush Hill MO, and Jesse Hirsch of Mexico MO; her great-grandchildren: Emily Schatz of KC MO, Olivia Barber of Ozark AL, Owen Barber of Olathe KS, and Aiden Hasler of Willard MO (due Oct 8). Other survivors are her brother Ross Poe of Colorado Springs CO, and her sister Lois Jean Morris, address unknown. Visitation is from 7-9 pm on Saturday, September 19, 2015. Funeral is at 2 pm on Sunday, September 20, 2015. Both services are at Murray Funeral Home, Bolivar MO. Burial following in Greenwood Cemetery within Bolivar MO. Online condolences may be submitted at www.murrayfuneralhomes.com

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Tribute Wall



“ *Deva Louise Kirchner*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Deva Louise Kirchner*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *I am so very sorry for your loss. Your family has endured more than your share of loss these past few years, know that HE will always be by your side.*

Donna Sierp-Binns - September 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM