



Evelyn "Frances" Frances Roberts

November 27, 1923 - December 16, 2025

Evelyn Frances Roberts (née Noffzinger), aged 102, passed away peacefully on December 16, 2025, in Nevada, Missouri. Born on November 27, 1923, in Braymer, Missouri, Frances spent her formative years in Polk County before embarking on a path of lifelong learning and community service.

Frances pursued her education vigorously, obtaining an Associate's Degree from Southwest Baptist College, a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Missouri, and a Master's Degree in Library Science from the University of Denver. Her academic achievements paved the way for a distinguished career in librarianship, culminating in her role as the Director of the Southwest Regional Library in Polk County.

Beyond her professional life, Frances was deeply committed to her personal life and her faith. She was a dedicated member of the United Methodist Church of Bolivar, MO, where she actively participated in church activities and events. Her commitment to service extended into volunteering at the local hospital's gift shop for many years.

Frances's life was marked by her dedication to family. She was a loving wife to her late husband, Scott Roberts, for 23 years (married September 28, 1951) and a devoted mother to her daughters, Karen Ebert and Patricia Roussin. Her joy was multiplied as she embraced the role of grandmother and great-

grandmother, taking great delight in the lives of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Frances was preceded in death by her parents, Hobart and Geneva Gull Noffzinger; her husband, Scott Roberts; her sister, Mary Jane Noffzinger; and her son-in-law, John Roussin. She is survived by her daughters, Karen Ebert and her husband Robert of Nevada, MO, and Patricia Roussin of Kearney, MO; grandchildren Michael Roussin and his wife Jacque, Darin Roussin, Erin Ebert, Matthew Ebert and his wife Kristin, and Megan Ebert; and great-grandchildren Anthony Ebert and Quinn Roussin.

Family and friends are invited to attend a visitation on Friday, December 19, at 1:30 p.m. at Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar, MO, followed by graveside services at Greenwood Cemetery at 2:00 p.m., led by Rex Warren. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Polk County Library in memory of Frances Roberts, honoring her passion for literacy and community enrichment

Previous Events

Graveside

DEC 19. 2:00 PM (CT)

Greenwood Cemetery
S. Dunnegan Ave.
Bolivar, MO 65613

Tribute Wall

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“ *Jenny, Bernetta, and Tony Roberts -Boze purchased the Red Poinsettia for the family of Evelyn "Frances" Frances Roberts.*



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