



## Genevieve Bridges

October 29, 1921 - January 13, 2019

Cleo Genevieve “Genny” Griffitt Bridges, 97 of Grain Valley Missouri died Jan. 13, 2019 at the home of her grandson, Geoffery Bridges and his wife Lara Bond Bridges in Grain Valley.

She was born Oct. 29, 1921 in Richards, Colorado, and was the daughter of the late Claude and Lola (Milby) Griffitt of Slater, Missouri. She was preceded in death by her husband of 63 years, Elza Bridges and son Richard Cleveland Bridges.

She is survived by two grandsons: Geoffery (Lara) Bridges, Scott (Alicia) Bridges, five great grandchildren: Larry Blain (Lauren) Bridges, Alli Mai Bridges (Shawn) Mindham, Geoffery Dane Bridges, Alaina Bridges (Garrett) Holmes, Anessa Bridges, and two great great grandchildren: Tannin Mindham and Leona Mindham.

She grew up in Saline County, MO during the war and rode a horse to attend classes at Mt. Horeb School. She later worked making undergarments for the military at Rice-Stick Garment Factory in Slater, MO. She married Elza Bridges, also of Saline County, on July 29, 1939 at the Cumberland Presbyterian church parsonage in Marshall, Missouri. The couple resided on a farm in Polk County in the 1940s, then moved to Kansas City, Missouri and Independence, Missouri. She worked as an inventory clerk at Montgomery

Wards and served as a bus Monitor at Blue Ridge School until her retirement in 1981. The couple retired to Pomme de Terre Lake and then to Bolivar, Missouri. She lived in Bolivar until 2016; at that time, she moved to the home of her grandson, Geoff Bridges, in Grain Valley, Missouri.

She enjoyed time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She loved flowers and was a gifted gardener and grower. She was a member of Southside Missionary Baptist Church in Bolivar. Her deep Christian faith was known to all who knew and loved her.

Services will be held Friday, January 18 at Butler Funeral Home, Bolivar, Mo. Visitation will be held 12 noon - 1:00pm, and services at 1:00pm. After the services, we will proceed to the burial at Hopewell Cemetery in Louisburg, Mo (approx 30 minute drive from Bolivar).

Arrangements are under the direction of Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar, Missouri.

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Visitation for Cleo will be from 12:00 to 1:00 P.M. Friday, January 18, 2019, with services to follow at 1:00, at Butler Funeral Home, Bolivar, Missouri. Burial will be at Hope Well Cemetery, Louisburg, Missouri.

Contributions for Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church or Sonlight Ministries are gratefully accepted. Genny was a longtime member of Hopewell Church. Sonlight Ministries is the organization that sponsors the mission in Haiti where Genny's grandson, Scott Bridges & his family, are currently stationed. Please note In memory of Cleo Genevieve Bridges.

Sonlight Ministries, P.O. Box 8031, Evansville, IN 47716 or online at <http://www.sonlightministries.org/give/give-online.html>

Hopewell Missionary Baptist Church, 25198 Oakwood Drive, Urbana MO  
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# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 18. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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

## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Genevieve Bridges*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Genevieve Bridges*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *She was the last of her generation, someone who always had your best interest at heart. We have lost a treasure.*

*Your Nephew, Herb Griffitt*

**Herb Griffitt** - January 17, 2019 at 05:11 PM



“ *Herb & Anita Griffitt purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Genevieve Bridges .*



**Herb & Anita Griffitt** - January 17, 2019 at 04:47 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Genevieve Bridges .*



January 16, 2019 at 09:01 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Genevieve Bridges .*



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January 16, 2019 at 06:01 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



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**Lara Bond Bridges** - January 16, 2019 at 04:58 PM



“ *Lara Bond Bridges lit a candle in memory of Genevieve Bridges*



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**Lara Bond Bridges** - January 16, 2019 at 01:22 AM

LB

“ Grandma Genny is and was one-of-a-kind. She could withstand any hardship. Find faith in any dark corner. Bring generosity to all who knew her. And talk about a green thumb! She once threw some seeds off the deck; a few short weeks later we no longer had to shop at the grocery store for cantelopes...they were growing like wild in the backyard! We were truly blessed to have her live with us in Grain Valley during the last several years of her life. From October 29, 1921 all the way to January 13, 2019 she was a bright and shining light. We miss her so very much.

*With love, your granddaughter-in-law, Lara B.*

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**Lara Bond Bridges** - January 16, 2019 at 12:33 AM

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**Lara Bond Bridges** - January 16, 2019 at 12:20 AM

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**Lara Bond Bridges** - January 16, 2019 at 12:15 AM

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**Lara Bond Bridges** - January 16, 2019 at 12:14 AM

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**Lara Bond Bridges** - January 15, 2019 at 11:12 PM

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**Lara Bond Bridges** - January 15, 2019 at 11:11 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



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**Lara Bond Bridges** - January 15, 2019 at 11:09 PM

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“ *She was very precious to me. She was my Daddy's sister and married my Mother's brother so she was always at family events on either side of the family. She was married in 1939 and I was born in 1939 so her home going leaves a very large hole in my life.*

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**Gay Rooks** - January 15, 2019 at 04:58 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Genevieve Bridges .*



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January 15, 2019 at 04:05 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Genevieve Bridges .*



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January 15, 2019 at 01:56 PM

GR

“ *She has been special my whole life. Aunt Genny was my Daddy's sister. On July 29, 1939 she married my Mother's brother (Uncle Elza). I was born on August 13 the same year, so whenever there was a family event, no matter which side of the family, they were there. They were loved very much. This leaves a large hole in my heart even though I know they are in Heaven together.*

**Gay Rooks** - January 15, 2019 at 11:27 AM

GK

“ *Gay Rooks family, Darryl, Toby, Kimberly, Karen purchased the Lord Bless Digital Music Box for the family of Genevieve Bridges .*



**Gay Rooks family, Darryl, Toby, Kimberly, Karen** - January 15, 2019 at 11:13 AM

KW

“ *Her irises all along the fence line were so beautiful and she shared with us one year. She gave me twisty ties to pick what colors I wanted. When it came time she dug them up and divided them amongst this of us that wanted some.*

**Karen (Rooks) Whiteman** - January 15, 2019 at 12:27 AM

LB

*She always brightened her home, and ours, with lovely flowers. She could grow anything, anywhere, even in the winter! Lara Bond Bridges (granddaughter-in-law, wife of Geoff Bridges)*

**Lara Bond Bridges** - January 16, 2019 at 12:07 AM