



Joyce Johnston

December 14, 1922 - March 10, 2018

Joyce Johnston, age 95, of Bolivar, Missouri, passed away Saturday, March 10, 2018, at Lake Stockton Healthcare Facility, in Stockton, Missouri.

Joyce Madaline LeVere-Johnston was born in Chicago to Frederick Klein and Nellie Coash. After her mother's untimely passing while Joyce was very young, she and her sister were raised for 9 years by relatives in Momence, IL, at which time their father remarried and they returned to Chicago. Upon her high school graduation, she was employed by Motorola as a secretary. In 1947, she married Chester LeVere and became a stay-at-home mother to three children.

She and her husband co-founded the Joyce Brush Co. in 1956 and moved the business to Stockton, MO in 1979. Joyce remained involved in the business until 1989. It continues to be active under the management of her son, Chet, Jr. After the death of her second husband, she moved to Bolivar, Missouri and remained there until her death.

Joyce remained active as a volunteer at CMH Healthcare facility until her own recent health decline. She was a generous contributor to St. Jude's Hospital, Wounded Warriors, Alzheimer's Association and CMH.

She was preceded in death by husbands Chester LeVere, Sr. and Robert Johnston, sister Evelyn Moeller (husband Jerry), brother Charles Klein (wife

Rosemary), parents and step-mother Ann Loudon.

Survivors include 3 children, Janice Garvin of Ocala, FL, Chet Jr. (wife Lanell) of Bolivar, MO and David Alan (wife Lauri) of Treasure Island FL. Five grandchildren include Craig, Stephen, Lindsay, Robert and Katherine. Great-grandchildren include Chloe, Alexander and Jude.

Cremation is under the direction of Butler Funeral Home, in Bolivar, Missouri.

A memorial for Joyce will be held at 10:30 AM, on Tuesday, May 1, 2018, at the Butler House Family Reception Center, next to Butler Funeral Home, in Bolivar.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY 1. 10:30 AM (CT)

Butler House Family Reception Center
407 E. Broadway
Bolivar, MO 65613
(417) 326-5233
<https://www.butlerfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *Joyce Johnston*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Joyce Johnston*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *Joyce was a good lady I cleaned for her for a couple of years. She made my job a breeze because she was a very clean person. Even dusting never had much dust mainly made it shine. She was a easy person to talk to. Rest in peace.*

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