



Joyce Elaine Shaver

December 17, 1947 - March 28, 2017

Joyce Elaine Shaver, 69, of Liberty, MO, went to meet Jesus at 9:15 AM on Tuesday March 28th, 2017, at Liberty Hospital.

Joyce was born on December 17th, 1947 in Weaubleau, MO to Vernon and Irene Burnfin. She resided there until the age of two when the family relocated to Kansas City, MO.

Joyce graduated from North Kansas City High School in 1965. She began a career as a ballroom dance instructor at Arthur Murray dance studio where in 1972, she met her best friend and the love of her life, Kenneth Shaver. They married February 16th, 1974 at Bethel Baptist Church in Kansas City, MO and remained married for a wonderful 43 years where they enjoyed traveling together, dancing together, and just being with each other.

Joyce possessed so many amazing qualities and will be desperately missed by her family and friends. She was empathetic and compassionate, and always had time to lend a listening ear. Joyce was incredibly loyal and had a servant's heart which was evident in the way that she readily took care of anyone who entered her home; All were welcome, and all would leave full and well cared for. She was an avid baseball fan that began as a child scorekeeping her little brother's games, and continued as she never missed a Royals game. Joyce had an incredible sense of fun and loved to dance to

Bruce Springsteen or listen to Elvis. She once entered a hula hoop contest at Worlds of Fun against a bunch of young kids and won showing her hips never lost her natural dance ability. She took great pride in her role as a homemaker once she and Ken started their family. As Ken worked long hours, Joyce kept an immaculate home and together they raised two amazing children. Joyce's love for being a mother and grandmother kept her extremely busy, but also extremely fulfilled. Her children and their spouses loved to tease her about her family record keeping that she did on her yearly calendar, and the notes she wrote to remind herself about what to tell them, but all admit that these conversations are something that they will miss the most.

Joyce is survived by: her husband, Ken; one son, Daniel Shaver and wife Jessica; one daughter, Kimberly Leimkuhler and her husband Thomas, three granddaughters, Hailey and Charli Shaver, and Adilynn Leimkuhler; two grandsons, Eli Leimkuhler and Jacob Shaver; three siblings, Dennis Burnfin and wife Leslie, Vickie Hampton and husband Jim, and Robbie Smith, along with many nieces and nephews.

She is predeceased by her parents, and a brother in law Ray Smith.

Visitation will be Thursday, March 30th from 5:00-7:00 at Park Lawn Funeral Home in Liberty, MO, and funeral will be at 11:00 on Friday, March 31st also at Park Lawn. Private family burial will be held afterwards in Weaubleau, MO, services under the care and direction of the Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar, MO

Memorials can be made to the Kitty Cat Connection in Kansas City, MO. The family would also like to request that in Joyce's memory you dance in your house while dusting to Dancing in the Dark, hula hoop with reckless abandon, or make some fried chicken for your family.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **30**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Park Lawn Northland Chapel
1640 N. 291 Hwy
Liberty, MO 64068

Funeral Service

MAR **31**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Park Lawn Northland Chapel
1640 N. 291 Hwy
Liberty, MO 64068

Tribute Wall



“ *Joyce Elaine Shaver*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Joyce Elaine Shaver*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *To all in the Shaver family.....We are so sorry for your loss. Joyce was so kind, caring and just a sweet loving person. She always made me feel so welcome any time I was in her home, she made me feel like one of the family. My favorite memory of her is her amazing mashed potatoes! At the annual Christmas Party she always served those perfect, creamy potatoes! I don't think she ever shared her recipe, I think she had some secret ingredients, but they were just amazing!*

Much love to you all and know you are in our hearts and prayers always!!!! <3

*Love,
Geoff, Kelly and Sonya Sandland*

Kelly Sandland - March 30, 2017 at 01:53 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Joyce Elaine Shaver.*



March 30, 2017 at 10:42 AM



“ *We are sorry to hear about your loss. We will keep you all in our thoughts and prayers.*
Larry & Patty Martin



Patty Martin - March 30, 2017 at 10:10 AM



“ *We are saddened to learn that you're mourning the loss of your dear love one. However, it saddens our God even more. No doubt, you have many fond memories which will resurface from time to time. And because you do have memories, certainly shows that almighty God has memories as well. Therefore, with full confidence you can take comfort in knowing that he longs to restore perfect life to all those in his memory (Job 14:13-15; Rev 21:3, 4). Please accept our condolences at this most distressing time.*

Williams Family - March 30, 2017 at 07:32 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joyce Elaine Shaver.*



March 29, 2017 at 08:33 PM



“ *Thinking of you all, and sending our prayers. John & Paulette Bozarth*

Paulette Bozarth - March 29, 2017 at 05:28 PM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. We only knew of this wonderful woman through her great son. Our prayers are with your whole family.*

*Emma Bozarth
Jeff and Jill Jones*

Jeff and Jill Jones - March 29, 2017 at 05:09 PM



*Kenny, so sorry to learn about the loss of your wife. Please know you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.
Glenda Martin Rowan*

Glenda Rowan - March 30, 2017 at 09:08 AM



I am so sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family.

Shirley Telford Hart - March 30, 2017 at 01:41 PM