



Lavesta "Kay" Holt

December 13, 1944 - March 30, 2026

It is with heavy hearts and fond memories that we announce the peaceful passing of Kay Holt, a beloved wife, mother, sister, grandmother and friend, who departed this world on March 30, 2026, at the age of 81. Born on December 13, 1944, in Polk town, Missouri, Kay was the cherished daughter of Chester and Opal Hale. Kay spent most of her childhood and early adult life with her siblings at the family's general store in Huron. Kay was a proud graduate of Bolivar High School, class of 1963. Following her passion, she became a talented hairdresser, opening her own home beauty shop where she styled hair with grace and joy for over 50 years. Her clients were not just customers, but friends who were treated with kindness, warmth and a genuine smile that made every visit special.

On April 12, 1969, Kay married the love of her life, Harold Holt. Together, they built a life full of love, laughter and shared dreams in their Bolivar home. Their marriage of 57 years was blessed with two wonderful children, Stephen (Rosetta) and Sarah, who were the light of her life. Kay's family expanded further with the birth of her cherished grandchildren, Jeremiah and Naomi, with whom she spent countless joyous moments, creating memories that will be treasured forever. Her love for her family extended beyond her children and grandchildren to her grand cat, Scout, who brought her endless delight. Kay was an active member of the Fairview United Methodist Church, a place where she and Harold worshiped faithfully for over 45 years. Whether she was spending time with her family, tending to her beauty shop or participating in

church activities, Kay lived a life filled with love, laughter and a deep commitment to those she held dear.

Preceded in death by her parents, Chester and Opal Hale and her brothers, Larry and Ron Hale, Kay's legacy of love and kindness lives on in the hearts of those she leaves behind: her devoted husband, Harold; her beloved children and daughter-in-law, Stephen and Rosetta, her dear daughter, Sarah; her loving sister, Shirley Van Camp; her treasured grandchildren, Jeremiah and Naomi; her caring in-laws, Kenny (Janice) and Gerald (Noretta); her niece, Kathy; her nephews, Stan, Kevin, Mark, Brad (Dana) Holt and Scott (Yvonne) Van Camp and numerous other family and friends.

As we bid farewell to Kay, we are comforted by the promise of a reunion in heaven. Her family holds dear the hope that they will see her again and this eternal promise brings solace in their time of grief. Kay's life was a testament to love, faith and family and her memory will continue to inspire all who knew her.

Visitation will be held on April 3, 2026, in Butler Funeral Home Bolivar starting at 10:00 am with services following at 11:00 am. Burial will be at Mt. View Cemetery, Polk, MO.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

Chapel Service

APR 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Interment

APR 3. 12:00 PM (CT)

Mt. View Cemetery
Polk, MO

Tribute Wall

LF

“ *Saying prayers for Kay’s family and friends. Enjoyed our time together at Fairview Methodist Church. May God Bless You and Keep You.*

Loeta Friend

Loeta Friend - April 05 at 05:03 PM

JB

“ *Was so sorry to read about her passing.... I enjoyed visiting with her. she took care of my hair for several years. such a sweet lady. So glad that she had that peace in her heart and that we will see her again one day. She loved to talk about the Lord and shared many experiences that her mom had enjoyed also.*

Janet Bays - April 04 at 12:28 PM

EC

“ *Kay was a truly special person who left a lasting impact on me through her friendship and her work as a hair stylist. She was one of my first friends when I moved to Bolivar. She was generous and giving person. She will be truly missed.*

Erma Chilcutt - April 03 at 11:38 AM

CR

“ *Kay was a very special lady! I met her in her parents store in Huron! Always enjoyed visiting with her. Prayers for her family.*

Carol Roush - April 03 at 09:16 AM

KJ

“ Kris & Janet purchased the Angel's Embrace Bouquet for the family of Lavesta "Kay" Holt.



Kris & Janet - April 01 at 09:21 AM

RM

“ I have many fond memories of Kay during our long friendship. And as with many others she was also my faithful and very good hairdresser. She always did my hair meticulously and the way I wanted it.

But my most precious memory was Sunday evening when she called me. I found out through that call that she was in the hospital again and felt like the Lord wanted me to go right away to see her. Not knowing she was dying, we spent almost an hour together just talking about the Lord who bought us both. Upon leaving, I sang A special prayer to the Lord for the both of us. She just lay there peacefully with a smile on her face and her eyes closed.

That is the last time I saw her on this Earth. But being elderly myself, I will see her again soon, for I know her Trust was in the blood of Jesus to keep her safe for all eternity. And I rejoice that I will be able to hug her again and enjoy eternity with her and others in the family of God.

Rachael McIntire - March 31 at 12:34 PM