



Mildred Ellen Rickman

January 21, 1918 - December 8, 2011

Mrs. Mildred Ellen Rickman, age 93 of Fair Play, MO passed away at 12:05 AM Thursday, December 8, 2011 at the Citizens Memorial Healthcare Facility in Bolivar after a lingering illness.

She was born in Fair Play, MO on January 21, 1918 the daughter of Gene Butler and Lula Ann (Thomason) Butler.

Mildred was raised on a farm where her hard work ethic was founded. During the start of WWII, she worked at Fort Leonard Wood until her husband Hershel Rickman was called to serve in the Navy.

After the war she owned and operated a restaurant and pool hall in Fair Play.

In 1953, she went to work for Sidneys Food Service as a manager at the Lake City ammunition plant and arsenal near Independence, MO for 20 years. She also worked for Fun House Pizza in Blue Springs, MO, also worked in Independence, MO for Queen City Restaurant. She moved back to Fair Play and helped take care of her mother and continued to live in Fair Play until Oct. 2010, when she moved into the Citizens Memorial Healthcare Facility in Bolivar.

She was a 1936 Graduate of Fair Play High School where she was a

basketball star for the Girls Basketball team. She was the last surviving member of the Championship team in 1933-34.

Mildred was an avid sports fan and enjoyed the area and professional level of sports, especially the teams in Kansas City and St. Louis.

Mildred was a member of the United Methodist Church in Fair Play, the Stockton Area-Missouri Council of the Blind.

She collected Best Choice Labels for the Stockton Council of the Blind and pop cans tabs for the Ronald McDonald House in Springfield, MO.

She was hard working, had a positive attitude about life, loved her family and friends and will be dearly missed by all.

Surviving is her son, Donnie J. Rickman and wife Marilyn of Flemington, MO; two sisters, Marie Davis of Fair Play, MO and Eujan Dody of Bolivar, MO; one brother William Kent Butler and wife Erma of Fair Play, MO. 3 grandchildren, Sherri Jo McCoy of Liberty, MO; Angela Kay Johnson of Blue Springs, MO; and Donnie James Rickman II and wife Kerry of Blue Springs, MO. 4 Great Grandchildren and 2 Great Great Grandchildren.

A visitation will be held on Saturday, December 10, 2011 from 1:00 to 2:00 PM at the Butler Chapel in Bolivar.

A Graveside Funeral Service will be held on Saturday, December 10, 2011 at 2:30 PM at the Lindley Prairie Cemetery at Bear Creek in Cedar County with Dr. Ron McIntire officiating. Burial will be under the care and direction of the Butler Funeral Home of Bolivar. Casketbearers will be: Donnie Rickman II, Wayne Dawes, Brian Anderson, John Erven, Donnie Rickman III and Richard Montoya. Honorary Casketbearers will be Lonnie Dorth and Bobbie Gothard.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the Ronald McDonald House or the Lake Stockton Area Council for the Blind.

Friends may sign the guest book or send private condolences at www.butlerfuneralhome.com

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mildred Ellen Rickman*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *Mildred Ellen Rickman*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May you have friends to comfort you, faith to uphold you and loving memories to carry you through.*

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Art & Connie Woods - December 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. May the words in Psalms 34:18 give you hope and comfort.*

Barb & Tom Layton - December 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are truly sorry about mildred passing away ,she was and will always be remember with love ,smiles,stories of games for she love to cheer on with friends. I know that mildred'beauty of love ,family,life,lake stockton area council of the blind .mildred just gave her heart to all . We are so proud to know and love you.*

Robert lee & Teresa Evans - December 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM