



Darlene Burbridge James

May 12, 1933 - September 9, 2024

Darlene Bankhead Burbridge James, 91, of Louisiana, MO, passed away on Monday, September 9, 2024. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 P.M. on Thursday, September 12, 2024 at the Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana, MO. Burial will be at the Fairview Cemetery near Louisiana. Visitation will be from 11:00 A.M. until time of service Thursday at the funeral home.

She was born on May 12, 1933 in Clarksville, MO to Ray and Margaret Burbridge. Darlene was the youngest of 7 children and the last surviving sibling. She was married to Floyd Oliver James on June 10, 1951. He preceded her in death on October 9, 2008.

Darlene is survived by 2 daughters, Diana Lynn James Bowler and Laura Denise Ann James (Curtis) Brown, a grandson Cody James Bowler, 2 great grandchildren Liam M. Bowler and Tatum G. Bowler, a sister in-law Phoebe Burbridge, brother in-law Sam Winner, cousins Sue Jones and Willard (Nellie Jean) Wamsley, along with numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces & nephews, and distant cousins.

She worked for Stark Bros Nurseries for 50 years starting after high school graduation until her retirement. After retiring she devoted her time to her family and many hours to her grandson Cody, and also to the church. She loved attending and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Louisiana where she served as an elder. She loved to read, travel, and listen to country music. She was a fan of the St. Louis Cardinals and watched many games on TV with her family. She also had a love of playing cards. She

especially loved playing rook with her sisters and brother in-law almost every weekend.

Darlene made many friends with her co-workers at Stark Bros over her 50 years there. As a supervisor in data entry, she was a mentor to many young people that started their working years in her department.

Honorary pallbearers will be Liam Bowler and Tatum Bowler. Active pallbearers will be Cody Bowler, Curtis Brown, Sammy Meyers, Ray Madison, Brandon Brown, and Justin Garner.

Memorials may be given to the donor's choice. Online condolences may be sent at collierfuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

Hwy YY at Hwy 79
Louisiana, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 12. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Collier Funeral Homes, Inc.
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Funeral Service

SEP 12. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

CE

“ *Carmen Elledge lit a candle in memory of Darlene Burbridge James*



Carmen Elledge - September 17, 2024 at 11:57 PM



“ *Carolyn Oliver lit a candle in memory of Darlene Burbridge James*



Carolyn Oliver - September 17, 2024 at 09:28 AM

MP

“ *Melanie Powell lit a candle in memory of Darlene Burbridge James*



Melanie Powell - September 13, 2024 at 08:03 PM

JB

“ *J.R. and Helen Burbridge purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Darlene Burbridge James.*



J.R. and Helen Burbridge - September 10, 2024 at 10:47 PM

CO

“ *Cindy Poyser Osborne lit a candle in memory of Darlene Burbridge James*



Cindy Poyser Osborne - September 10, 2024 at 03:17 PM

CS

Very sorry for your loss, Diana. It's hard, I know. BTW, remember me to your Aunt Phoebe. I think of her often and wonder how she is doing. She and your Uncle Bob were in the same pinochle group as my husband and I. I recall her skills in the kitchen and sense of humor.

Carolyn Swope - September 28, 2024 at 09:46 PM