



## Joyce Ann Whitaker

February 20, 1944 - April 13, 2019

Joyce Ann Whitaker, the matriarch of the Whitaker family and a retired Fort Zumwalt cafeteria manager, unexpectedly passed away Saturday, April 13, 2019 at the age of 75.

Joyce is survived by her husband, Keith Whitaker of Louisiana, MO; children: Phillip and Susan Whitaker of O'Fallon, MO, Michael and Suzanne Whitaker of Troy, MO, Christopher and Brandon Hawkins of Wentzville, MO, and son in-law, Larry Owens of Wentzville, MO; grandchildren: Jessica and Josh Lamotte, Daniel and Anna Whitaker, Melissa and Jeremy Beckwith, Tiffany Whitaker and fiance Brian Reller, Thomas Whitaker, Michael Whitaker II, Johnathon Whitaker, Mataya Whitaker, Brylee Hawkins, Rylinn Hawkins and Brynlyn Hawkins; great-grandchildren: Logan Lamotte, Hunter Lamotte, Ivan Lamotte, Dylan Whitaker, Raelynn Whitaker, Bellah Reller, Autumn Whitaker, Ronni Whitaker, Layla Reller and Ava Whitaker, and brothers, Ronnie Faerber, David Faerber, and Gale Faerber.

Joyce is preceded in death by her mother, Isabelle Faerber and father, Fred Faerber; daughter, Cindy Owens, and grandson, Barry Owens.

Joyce was born in Saint Charles, MO on February 20, 1944 to Fred and Isabelle Faerber. On June 9, 1962, she married her loving husband Keith Whitaker of Salem, MO and spent the remaining 57 years together as much in love as they were on that very wedding day. Joyce had a love for music as well as many other hobbies including fishing, crocheting, and camping. On any given Sunday morning as she worked around the house, you could wake

up to the sounds of her favorite rock music blasting on the record player. As she and Keith got into their 50's they explored many parks and fishing lakes while traveling in their camper. We loved to hear her stories of their adventures and how she out-fished her husband that was so eager to out-fish her. In the last few years she really looked forward to the rifle tournaments her husband had joined with neighboring friends. She grew close to that group of friends as they welcomed her in as an honorary member of Malcolm's Marauders. This tight knit group of friends felt more like a family to her. Joyce was, and always had been a woman of strong Christian values. Her unflinching faith always enabled her to find light in every dark situation. She attended church with her fellowship here in Louisiana, MO at the Riverside Baptist Chapel.

Our hearts will forever ache at the loss of this beautiful soul as our family chain has been broken and nothing seems the same. Yet, we will also try to rejoice as we strive to adopt her unflinching faith and remember that one day God will also call us one by one and the chain will link again.

IN MEMORY OF A LIFE SO BEAUTIFULLY LIVED.

A visitation was held from 12:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. on Monday, April 22, 2019 at the Collier Funeral Home in Louisiana, MO. Memorials may be made to the donor's choice.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **22**. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Collier Funeral Homes, Inc.  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Joyce Ann Whitaker*

November 08, 2022 at 10:35 AM



“ *Joyce Ann Whitaker*

November 08, 2022 at 08:46 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Joyce Ann Whitaker.*



April 22, 2019 at 12:29 PM



“ *I will always remember her smiling face at family events at Melissa and Jeremy's farm.*

**Debbie Beckwith** - April 22, 2019 at 08:37 AM



“ *She had so much love for everyone. She treated everyone like her own children. I remember visiting with here when her son chris would bring me over. She just loved talking with my children and my children said they remember baking cookies with her. I just know she is in heaven and will now help guide us all. She will always be remembered as a mom. Much love to her family that are suffering from her loss.*

**Vanita Corbin** - April 22, 2019 at 04:32 AM



“ A wonderful person she was Joyce.  
Joyce use to work with my wife Sandy Traynor at the Louisiana school for years and Joyce and Keith were wonderful people and friends of my father in law and mother in law Emmett and June Niffen .  
I use to remember Joyce and Emmett trying to out talk each other and their voices would get louder and louder.  
Also I remember Joyce letting my grand son Connor reeling in her fish while fishing on Emmett and June bank. My grandson thought that was a million dollars  
JOYCE UNTIL meet again .

Terry Sandy Traynor - April 21, 2019 at 03:16 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Joyce Ann Whitaker.



April 21, 2019 at 11:40 AM



“ I have very few memories of Joyce from being a distant relative but I am thankful and lucky to have gotten the opportunity to know her when I did. My mom and I spent an evening at her and Keith's home and I can't say enough good things about that night. Her and Cindy made THE BEST sausage and cream cheese stuffed banana peppers, we sat for hours visiting, laughing, sharing stories, played with the dog, and looked through family photos. I felt so welcome and loved 🧡



Kelsey Foerster - April 19, 2019 at 08:05 PM



“ *My condolences to the family. Rest in peace Joyce.*

Audrey Burba - April 19, 2019 at 08:00 PM

CP

“ *Remember all the holidays that was spent with her and going yard sales when I was her daughter in law. I will miss her dearly as she always had the time to talk to me when we saw each other.*

Cynthia Phipps - April 19, 2019 at 07:25 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joyce Ann Whitaker.*



April 19, 2019 at 07:03 PM

DR

“ *I remember before I moved her Joyce and Keith used to play cards with my mom and dad (now diseased) and Chris and I would talk in the back yard. She was always nice and so sweet to me. And every time we saw each other she would hug me and talk with me. I will miss seeing her smiling face at family funtions. I am so sorry for your loss.*



Deidra Rutkowski - April 19, 2019 at 06:22 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Joyce Ann Whitaker.*



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April 19, 2019 at 06:20 PM



“ *I feel so lucky to have had her in our lives , she was considered part of our family and wad there for me when my mom passed away . I love u*



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**Tina Howard** - April 19, 2019 at 02:33 PM



“ *Allan & Brenda Calloway and family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Joyce Ann Whitaker.*



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**Allan & Brenda Calloway and family** - April 19, 2019 at 11:12 AM



“ *Beautiful lady inside and out. We will truly miss Joyce, the laughter, the smile, always a kind word. Until we meet again dear Joyce, we love you!!!*

*Beth White*

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**beth white** - April 19, 2019 at 09:38 AM

JP

“ *Jo Ann Price lit a candle in memory of Joyce Ann Whitaker*



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**jo ann price** - April 18, 2019 at 09:22 PM

JW

“ *JoAnn Whitaker purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Joyce Ann Whitaker.*



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**JoAnn Whitaker** - April 18, 2019 at 08:55 PM