



Rosemary Jean Lesley

January 24, 1927 - February 26, 2019

Rosemary Jean Lesley, age 92, of Louisiana, Missouri passed away peacefully February 26, 2019 at Pike County Memorial Hospital surrounded by her family.

She was born January 24, 1927, in St. Louis, Missouri, the daughter of Leon D. and Lissetta (Hoeft) Crider. Jean was a 1944 graduate of Rosati-Kain Catholic Girls High School in St. Louis, Missouri. She was united in marriage to Charles Raymond Lesley, April 22, 1950 in St. Louis, MO. Charles, Jean and family relocated to Louisiana, Missouri in 1963. Charles preceded her in death, August 23, 1989. Jean and her husband were co-owners of Lesleys Printing Company and Hallmark store since 1969. Survivors include four children, Charles (Kay) Lesley of St. Peters, Missouri; Kathy Smith, Nancy Lesley, and Michael (Charity) Lesley of Louisiana, Missouri; fifteen grandchildren, twenty-six great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Jean took an active part in her community and St. Joseph Church. She was the President of the PTA, a Girl Scout leader and an active member of Ladies Sodality. She took a roll in the planting of trees and the beautification of the downtown area.

A Memorial Mass will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, March 2, 2019 at the St. Joseph Catholic Church in Louisiana, MO. The Father Lou Dorn officiating. Visitation will be held from 9:00 A.M. until time of service Saturday at the church. Interment will be at the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to St. Jude Children's Hospital, St. Joseph Catholic Church, or the donor's choice.

Collier Funeral Home was in charge of cremation rites.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

MAR 2. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
508 N. 3rd St.
Louisiana, MO

Memorial Mass

MAR 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Rosemary Jean Lesley*

November 08, 2022 at 10:35 AM



“ *Rosemary Jean Lesley*

November 08, 2022 at 08:46 AM



“ *My condolences to the family... I'm so sad to see this light gone... she was such a lively, spunky woman... I'm happy I had the pleasure of taking care of her !❤️ Rest In Peace Jean*

Robbi Snider - March 03, 2019 at 07:35 PM



“ *My condolences to Jean's family. What a sweet lovely lady she was. She will never be forgotten.*



Dianne Collins - March 02, 2019 at 11:50 AM



“ *So sorry for the loss of your loving mother & my aunt. Keeping you all in my thoughts & prayers.
Love & hugs, your cousin Linda*



Linda AuBuchon - March 02, 2019 at 10:44 AM

Zula
Chandler

“ *Zula Chandler lit a candle in memory of
Rosemary Jean Lesley*



Zula Chandler - March 02, 2019 at 04:58 AM

CO

“ *Carolyn Oliver lit a candle in memory of
Rosemary Jean Lesley*



Carolyn Oliver - March 02, 2019 at 02:48 AM

JH

“ *John & Linda Harmon lit a candle in memory
of Rosemary Jean Lesley*



John & Linda Harmon - March 01, 2019 at 12:56 PM

MG

“ With love I remember Jean and her buddies, Audrey and Helen...
together again and doing what they do best... praying for us!
I found a poem, I'm not sure who wrote it, but it reminds me of these
three ladies...

My Mother's Rosary

*Your beads I found, dear mother mine,
In the cushion of the chair,
You must have been just saying them
The last time you sat there.
The beads are old and shiny now,
The cross shines lovely too.
How happy were these beads of love
With each caress from you.*

*Your life was like a Rosary, Ma,
Each day lived like a prayer,
The sorrowful and the glorious
And the joyful we all shared.
So as we travel on through life
Send God's blessing down to guide us,
We'll be faithful to our Rosary
As a family chain that binds us.*

Thank you Jean, for the guidance and love you shared with us!
Mary Cadigan Granahan

Mary Granahan - March 01, 2019 at 12:40 PM

BS

“ *Becky Sanderson lit a candle in memory of Rosemary Jean Lesley*



Becky Sanderson - March 01, 2019 at 06:58 AM

CI

“ *My favorite memories are all the summers we spent 4th of July at Aunt Jean and Uncle Charles. I remember Aunt Jean making the home made ice cream, uncle Charles and dad barbecuing, trips to the lake and the boys frog gigging (yuk). Aunt Jean had the best laugh and always cooked good food! Good memories!*

cindi - February 28, 2019 at 10:36 PM

KW

“ *Aunt Jean and Uncle Charles were not only Godparents to my Dad (Walter Lyman) but also to my sister Sherrie and myself Kay. I feel so blessed that Sherrie, Pete and I got to visit her before Pete and I moved Alabama. My sister Sherrie, my daughter Shawnee' and I will be there tomorrow night and Saturday. I can't even find the words to express how we feel.*



Kay Wojciechowski - February 28, 2019 at 09:20 PM

JE

“ *Janet Elliott lit a candle in memory of Rosemary Jean Lesley*



Janet Elliott - February 28, 2019 at 07:10 AM

CB

“ *Candy Burnett lit a candle in memory of Rosemary Jean Lesley*



Candy Burnett - February 27, 2019 at 10:05 PM

JG

“ *Your mom helped me get thru my moms funeral. She held on to me letting me know she was the strength I could lean into. I will always have a place in my heart for Aunt Jean.*

joan gray - February 27, 2019 at 08:58 PM

PA

“ *Thinking of each of you in the loss of your mother and grandmother. She was always very pleasant at the store and I enjoyed visiting with her. Our sympathy to each of you and prayers for peace. I remember her and Mrs. Swenson taking an active role in downtown tree and flower planting for Community beautification.
The Powelson Family*

PaulettePowelson - February 27, 2019 at 08:28 PM

DC

“ I want to extend my sympathy to the Lesley family at the death of their mother. I have had several contacts over the years with this family. D. Randall Cone

D.Randall Cone - February 27, 2019 at 07:51 PM

CB

“ CHERYL BRADSHAW lit a candle in memory of Rosemary Jean Lesley



CHERYL BRADSHAW - February 27, 2019 at 05:33 PM

PB

So sorry to hear of her passing. She was one of the sweetest ladies I have met in Louisiana.

Pat Bronson - February 27, 2019 at 09:07 PM

KW

I am so sorry for the entire family for their loss of Jean recently. Her heart was huge, and I loved it when she invited me to holiday dinners. She made me feel so wanted. She loved the Lord and for sure she is at peace with him now.

Katie Willsey - March 02, 2019 at 04:51 PM