



Martha D. Lester

September 1, 1943 - April 3, 2023

Martha D. Lester, age 79 of Highland, IL, died Monday, April 3, 2023, at Saint Joseph's Hospital in Highland, IL. She was born on Wednesday, September 1, 1943, in Salisbury, MO, the daughter of Frank and Helen (nee Guilford) Nagel. On Saturday, September 1, 1962, Marti married Michael Leo Lester, who passed away on Sunday, May 25, 1997. She was a member of Saint Pius X Catholic Church, Moberly, MO.

Marti was born and grew up in Salisbury, MO. She went to St. Joseph High School, and attended Central Missouri State University. After marriage, they moved to Kansas City, MO then to Moberly, MO. Marti and her husband operated the A & W Root Beer Stand and the Morley Street Station. Marti began working at the Randolph County Juvenile Office in 1975. She retired in 2003 as Chief Juvenile Officer for Randolph & Howard Counties. She moved in July 2019, to live with her daughter, Monica Klostermann and family. Marti was an avid card player and enjoyed her flower and vegetable gardens. She loved spending time with her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and her friends.

Marti is survived by daughters, Julie M. Lester of Columbia, MO and Monica Dawn (Brian J.) Klostermann of Highland, IL; son, Michael David Lester of Olathe, KS; grandchildren, Jessica Nichole (Robert) Tucci, Catlin Helena (Jon) Shoutta, Brendan Michael (Grace) O'Brien, Tyler Joseph (Jessica)

Klostermann, Trevor Michael (Holly) Klostermann, Allison Dean (Jason) Steward, Jackson Gray Myers, Emily Jane Lester, Anna Claire Lester and Patrick Michael Lester; great grandchildren, Nicholas Xavier Tucci, Paris Saunders, Brayden Joseph Klostermann, Charlotte Elise Klostermann, Henry Lester Shoutta and Macy Jo Klostermann; brothers, James W. (Judy) Nagel and Larry Nagel, extended family and many close friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Frank Raphael and Helen Berniece (nee Guilford) Nagel; husband, Michael Leo Lester and daughter, Lisa Carmel O'Brien.

A funeral mass will be held on Friday, April 14, 2023 at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Moberly, MO with inurnment to follow at St. Mary's Cemetery in Moberly, MO. Visitation will be held from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Thursday, April 13, 2023, at Pathway-Millard Family Funeral Chapel in Moberly, MO with a Prayer Service beginning immediately following the visitation.

Memorial contributions are suggested to the American Parkinson Disease Association c/o, APDA Missouri Chapter, 16100 Chesterfield Parkway W., Suite 125, Chesterfield, MO 63017 or St. Pius X Catholic Church, P O Box 310, Moberly, MO 65270.

Arrangements are under the direction of SPENGL-BOULANGER FUNERAL HOME, Highland, IL and PATHWAY-MILLARD Funeral Directors, Moberly, Missouri 65270 (660) 263-7284.