



Louise Barbara Kaufman

July 25, 1922 - February 10, 2020

Louise Barbara (Ehemann) Kaufman, age 97, of St. Vincent, Arkansas, passed away Monday, February 10, 2020. Lou was the youngest of thirteen children born to Mike Ehemann and Maggie Klar Ehemann of Atkins, Arkansas, on July 25, 1922. The values that guided her life were family, faith, and service. She was the first in her family to graduate with a high school diploma. Lou attended beauty school and worked in her sister's beauty shop in Little Rock for 12 years. In April 1952, she married Louis Kaufman and up until one year ago prepared a hot lunch for family and farm hands on a daily basis. Named as Conway County Farm Family in 1973 and 1994, she worked in the commercial production of turkeys for 50 years and oversaw the raising of dozens of boys who turned into men while working on the Kaufman Farm. Lou served as a leader in community organizations such as PTA, 4-H, and Farm Bureau women's activities. Lou was a member of St. Mary Catholic Church since 1952, where she has served as a member of the Altar Society, Benedictine Oblates, Catholic Women's Union, and church cleaning committee. After retiring from farm work at the age of 80, Lou continued to keep her mind and hands busy by playing card games, crossword puzzles, bingo, and the making of thousands of rosaries that have been distributed around the world.

Lou was a dedicated caretaker for her husband, as well as other family members as their health declined. She raised five children that she ensured were properly fed, disciplined and educated: Dr. Dale Kaufman (Jeana), Gary Kaufman (Sherry), Mary Beth Gunther (Raymond), Brenda Pinkston Squires (Eddie), and Sheila Kerst Hansen (Tom).

Lou is also survived by 16 grandchildren, Kendra Kaufman, Amy Kaufman, Kristen (Tony) Sheppard, Brandon (Ronni Lee) Kaufman, Jason (Jane) Kaufman, Brittany (Zach) Singleton, Amber Kaufman, Emily (Richard) Woodall, Travis Gunther, Tyler Gunther, Drew Pinkston, Matt (Lauren) Pinkston, Ryan (Cassie) Kerst, Adam (Etsel) Kerst, Jeffrey Kerst, and Brad Kerst; and 12 great grandchildren that she babysat, disciplined, spoiled, and taught multiple card and dice games. In addition, Lou's family grew through marriage to include four additional grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Lou maintained special relationships with extended family members including nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, cousins, and sisters-in-law. She was never a casual observer of life but believed every day should be lived to its fullest and celebrated

as a gift from God.

Other than her parents, she was preceded in death by her siblings, Little Johnnie Ehemann, Barbara Ehemann, Rose Nottenkamper (Paul), Cil (Claude) Frame, Tom (Josephine) Ehemann, John (Frances) Ehemann, Josephine (Jay) Payne, Antone (Doris) Ehemann, Martin (Sabina) Ehemann, Martha (Ramon) Jauregui, Catherine (Arlie) Sorrels, and Alice (Bill) Hill.

Funeral Mass will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday, February 15, at St. Mary Catholic Church with Father Jim Burnie, Father Ernie Hardesty, and Deacon Steve Mallett officiating. Burial will be at St. Mary Cemetery. Rosary will be 6:30 p.m. Friday, February 14, with visitation following until 8:30 p.m., at the Harris Chapel. Pallbearers will be Brandon Kaufman, Jason Kaufman, Travis Gunther, Tyler Gunther, Drew Pinkston, Matt Pinkston, Ryan Kerst, Adam Kerst, Jeffrey Kerst, and Brad Kerst. Memorials may be made to St. Mary Catholic Church in St. Vincent, Arkansas.

Cemetery

St. Mary Cemetery

2041 Highway 95
Hattiesville, AR, 72063

Events

FEB **Rosary** 06:30PM - 07:00PM

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Harris Funeral Homes - Morrilton
1325 Oak St, Morrilton, AR, US, 72110

FEB **Visitation** 07:00PM - 08:30PM

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FEB **Funeral Mass** 10:00AM

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St. Mary Catholic Church
11 Kaufman Ln., Hattiesville, AR, US, 72063

Comments



“ Aunt Lou was a wonderful mentor to so many of us who loved her and will miss her. She always asked me what are you working on and bring the quilts when you come home to Atkins. She never forgot which ones I had and wanted to see them finished. I will always remember her true interest and kindness to me. Robert and I are sorry to miss the funeral due to bad health but will treasure our visit with her in October and thankful for Mary Beth’s tour of the farm and turkeys for our daughter Sherry, granddaughter, Jennifer, and grandsons, Stephen, Dean and Lukas. Blessings & Love

Julia A. Sorrels - February 15 at 11:46 PM



“ What an amazing woman who raised a great family and was loved by everyone. Prayers for all the family. A true St Vincent treasure is now resting in her forever home.

Terry and Cindy Beeson - February 14 at 01:10 PM



“ Mary Beth,
Reading your mother’s obituary ,your mother was a beautiful, blessed woman of God... just like you! God rest her soul. God bless your entire, precious family. I miss you and love you dearly. Anna Massery

Anna Massery -St. Joe school volunteer - February 14 at 08:39 AM



“ Dear Doc and family. I am so sorry to hear your mom past away. I did not know her, but I know she is a great Lady and wonderful mother, by the way she raised her kids. I pray God will bless and Jesus guide you through this time of passing.



David Dalrymple and fur kids. - February 13 at 07:00 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Louise Barbara Kaufman.



February 13 at 03:03 PM



“ Our world is much better because Lou was part of it- what a treasure she was, always happy with that twinkle in her eyes.

Rest in peach sweet lady,
Ben and Fran Donaldson.

Ben and Fran Donaldson - February 13 at 10:49 AM



“ Jerome & Laura Minahan purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Louise Barbara Kaufman.



Jerome & Laura Minahan - February 13 at 01:22 AM



“ A dear friend and a great customer when I owned the flower shop.
Bill Plummer

Bill Plummer - February 12 at 06:12 PM



“ Johnny, Kathy, Mary, and Janice Nottenkamper purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Louise Barbara Kaufman.





“ Sandra, Susan & Sylvia Payne purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Louise Barbara Kaufman.



Sandra, Susan & Sylvia Payne - February 12 at 05:02 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Louise Barbara Kaufman.



February 12 at 11:56 AM



“ I love all of you and send my heartfelt sympathy your way.
I loved it when I got to play bingo beside Louise in St. Vincent. It was a treat.
Also, it always seemed like she was there for all of you and loved you deeply
I must add that it seems to me like you all loved and honored her in so many ways. .
Prayers for comfort for each of you as you walk thru this loss in the world we live in.
Sincerely,
Louise Watkins

Louise Watkins - February 12 at 11:14 AM



“ Amplifon purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Louise Barbara Kaufman.



Amplifon - February 12 at 10:25 AM



“ I worked at Kaufman Farms when I was growing up in St. Vincent. Lou always served us a great meal at noon. She was a very kind lady that never forgot who I was later in life. May the Peace of Christ be with Lou and all the family.

Jim Bilgischer - February 12 at 08:35 AM



“ Heart's Companion Bouquet was purchased for the family of Louise Barbara Kaufman.



February 12 at 04:37 AM



“ When I was a little girl my parents and two sisters lived next door in the duplex where she lived with her's and my Mom's sister, Aunt Bob (Bobbie Ehemann to the world). They all worked in the Beauty Shop together. She was always Aunt Beese to us ... pretty with girl friends and boy friends, fashionable clothes, the latest records, movie magazines and an endless supply of Juicy Fruit gum. We thought she was as glamorous as a movie star! She took us to parades, Christmas shopping in the iconic downtown Little Rock of the late 40s-early 50s. She was always there. Always in my life for 75 very rich, love-filled years. My last day with her was the last Sunday in January. We ate chocolate cake and played 5 card games with my two sisters. She was my partner and we won three of the games. This was no little old lady. This was my Aunt Beese!

Susan Payne Maddox - February 12 at 12:28 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Louise Barbara Kaufman.



February 11 at 11:44 PM



“ Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Louise Barbara Kaufman.



February 11 at 10:10 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Louise Barbara Kaufman.



February 11 at 09:59 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Louise Barbara Kaufman.



February 11 at 09:44 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Louise Barbara Kaufman.



February 11 at 09:28 PM