



Josephine Gruber Smith

November 25, 1917 - September 11, 2014

Josephine Gruber Smith formerly of St. James, Missouri passed away Thursday, September 11, 2014 at the Sunrise of Des Peres Nursing Center in Des Peres, Missouri at the age of 96. Josephine was born on November 25, 1917 in St. James, Missouri to the late Ferdinand and Josephine (Peters) Gruber.

Josephine grew up in St. James where her family owned the Gruber Grocery for many years. She was united in marriage to Fred "Buddy" Smith and to this union three children were born. She was a devoted wife and mother, and enjoyed nothing more than raising her children. After their children had left the nest she would now eagerly await the arrival of grandchildren. She was blessed with 10 grandchildren, and 31 great-grandchildren, and they were the light of her life. Josephine was a longtime member of the Episcopal Church, she enjoyed gaming, and family time.

Josephine is survived by her children, Michael Smith, of FL, Sally Pierle and husband Michael, of St. Louis, MO, and Dennis Smith, of GA; 10 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. In addition to her parents was preceded in death by her husband, Buddy Smith in 1995; brother Charles Gruber; sisters, Flora Rasmussen, Viola Pinson, Grace Kirgan, Ida Hall, and Betty Cassatt.

Funeral services for Josephine Gruber Smith will be Tuesday, September 16, 2014 at the St. James Episcopal Church at 10 AM with Reverend Steve Barber officiating. Interment will be in the St. James Cemetery. A visitation for

family and friends will be held prior to the service from 9AM until service time at 10AM. Memorials are suggested to the Trinity Episcopal Church, cards are available at all James & Gahr Mortuary locations.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **16.** 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. James Episcopal Church
St. James, MO

Service

SEP **16.** 10:00 AM (CT)

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St. James, MO

Tribute Wall



“ *Josephine Gruber Smith*

January 30, 2023 at 04:37 AM



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January 30, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Josephine Gruber Smith.*



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