



## Juanita (Pryor) Whitman

September 4, 1928 - December 28, 2016

Juanita (Pryor) Whitman of Salem, Missouri passed away Wednesday, December 28, 2016 peacefully in her home at the age of 88. She was born on September 4, 1928 in Boss, Missouri to the late Fred and Nancy (Hinsen) Pryor.

Juanita was the youngest child, she always seemed to be the wisest, the one that looked after the family, and was truly the glue that kept the family together. Juanita told stories about her brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, cousins, and even her great-grandparents, she usually had you crying from laughter. She was also a good listener. Juanita could be a little stubborn at times, but in a non-combative way. She always made everyone feel welcome in her home, and was often teased about having a revolving door.

Juanita was an inspiration for so many people, she lost her children at young ages, and when asked how could she go on she replied " what other choice do I have?" The love that she could no longer share with her boys was showered on family and friends. She was generous, to a fault, with her time, and her money. She was always loving and kind, a true role model of how we should all live our lives. She will be lovingly missed by all that knew and loved her.

Juanita is survived by her sister, Verla Mackinaw of Steelville/ St. Louis, Missouri; nieces and nephews, Jay Hedrick and wife Penny of Springfield,

Missouri, Norma Long and husband Richard of Steelville, Missouri, Sonya Johns of St. Louis, Missouri, Wayne Pryor and wife Karen of St. James, Missouri, Marsha Huff and husband Glenn of Arkansas, Lisa Wells and husband Glenn of St. Louis, Missouri, Kevin Pryor and wife Rose of Barnhart, Missouri, Dan Pryor and wife Barbara of Arkansas, Sue Picker and husband Buzz of Troy, Missouri, Christy Tetrault and husband Tony of St. Louis, Missouri; a host of great- nieces, nephews, extended family and many friends. In addition to her parents Juanita was preceded in death by her three sons, Ronald Whitman, Michael Whitman and Scott Whitman; brothers, Waldron Pryor, Raymond Pryor, Pete Pryor and one infant brother; sister, Ada Gray.

Funeral services for Juanita (Pryor) Whitman will be held at 11:00AM Saturday, December 31, 2016 at the Salem Chapel of the James & Gahr Mortuary with Pastor Paul Davis officiating. Special music will be provided by Pam Davis and Jim Pryor. A visitation for family and friends will be held Friday, December 30, 2016 from 5:00PM - 7:00PM at the Chapel. Interment will be held in the BossCemetery in Boss, Missouri. Dinner will follow at the Tutor Hall.

# Cemetery Details

**Boss Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

DEC **30**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

James & Gahr Mortuary - Salem  
103 West Center  
Salem, MO 65560  
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### Service

DEC **31**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



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January 30, 2023 at 04:37 AM



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January 30, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ *juanita was the type of person that when you were around her , her pleasant smile was always present. one of the kindest lady's i ever met! her son's scott and mike pretty well was at my house more than their own, but i enjoyed every minute of their friendship. scott was pretty well my shadow for many years! hanging around and helping me in my shop. and mike and i shared some good talks, in which i always tried to help juanita, with both of them and encourage them to always try and do their best. she was one tough lady raising 3 sons with hardly any help. i will miss seeing her and getting to visit with her, god bless you juanita we know you are in heavin rejoicing with your sons! and the lord!*

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