



Louise Colvin

December 25, 1929 - April 8, 2025

Louise Colvin, of Rolla, Missouri, went to be with our Lord and Savior on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at the age of 95.

Louise was born on Christmas Day, December 25, 1929, in St. Louis, Missouri, to Harry and Mildred (Howard) Romberg. After the passing of her mother to tuberculosis when Louise was just six years old, she went to live with her maternal grandfather, George Howard: who adopted her at nine years old. Louise was the only surviving child of five born.

At the age of 16, she began working for the Johnson-Stephens and Shinkle Shoe Company, thanks to her grandfather helping secure positions for both Louise and her best friend, Priscilla Wishon. She worked there for five years. There she met and married the love of her life.

On August 20, 1948, she was united in marriage to Ray Colvin. Together they were blessed with four children and shared 66 devoted years of marriage until Ray's passing in 2014. Louise was a dedicated wife and mother, known for her delicious home-cooked meals and impeccable housekeeping. She was a God-fearing woman whose faith guided her life.

She enjoyed going out for a meal and cherished time spent at the golf course with Ray—though she didn't play, she loved walking the course and simply being by his side. More than anything, Louise loved her family and treasured every moment with them.

She is survived by her children: Nelson Colvin of Stockton, MO; Roger Colvin of Rolla, MO; Lynn Colvin of Rolla, MO; and Lesa Clifton and husband Brian

of Rolla, MO. She also leaves behind her beloved grandchildren: Rhonda Sandifer (Doug), Shawna Shaw (Tony), Holly Rhodes (Tyler), Justin Colvin (Liz), Emily Williams, Amanda Smith (Chadd), Cindy Mankin (Mike), Lauren Callahan (Matt), and Logan Callahan (Mary); along with 28 great-grandchildren, sister-in-law: Mary (Polly) Bacon and a host of extended family and friends who will miss her dearly.

In addition to her parents, Louise was preceded in death by her husband Ray, and her four siblings.

Funeral services for Louise Colvin will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, April 12, 2025, at the Rolla Chapel of the James & Gahr Mortuary, with Pastor Craig Rippey officiating. Interment will follow at Beaver Creek Cemetery in Rolla. A visitation for family and friends will be held at the Chapel on Friday, April 11, 2025, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM.

Cemetery Details

Beaver Creek

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 11. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

James & Gahr Mortuary - Rolla
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Funeral Service

APR 12. 11:00 AM (CSt)

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Interment

APR 12 (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Michael and Donna Byington purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Louise Colvin.* ”



Michael and Donna Byington - April 11, 2025 at 07:29 AM



“ *Riley Huber purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Louise Colvin.* ”



Riley Huber - April 10, 2025 at 09:36 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Louise Colvin.* ”



April 10, 2025 at 08:09 PM