



Marie Bay

March 5, 1928 - July 16, 2018

Orpha Marie Bay passed away Monday July 16, 2018 at Salem Memorial District Hospital in Salem, Missouri with her family around her. She was born at home in Cherryville, Missouri on March 5, 1928 to her parents Alton William "Bill" Caringer and Ina Lucille Brown Caringer. She was raised in Cherryville with her sisters, Billie and Ina Mae, and brother, Bud and Andy.

She graduated from high school in Steelville, Missouri. After high school, she attended college at University of Missouri Columbia and later transferred to Southwest Missouri State College in Springfield, Missouri majoring in Elementary Education. She taught second grade in Salem, Missouri until 1956.

On July 18, 1953 she was married to Carlton "Gene" Bay. To this marriage two daughters were born: Jeanne Bay Dillon and Janet Bay Cunningham.

In 1956, Marie and Gene began their career in the florist business. She loved working with flowers and enjoyed that career until 1973 at which time they sold Hillcrest Flower Shop.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Salem and Eastern Star.

She is survived by two daughters, Jeanne Dillon and husband Tom, Salem; Jan Cunningham and husband Charlie, Salem; two grandsons, Matt Dillon, Salem; Tyler Dillon and wife Judy, Miami, Oklahoma; three great-grandchildren Grace, Faith, and Gus Dillon, Miami, Oklahoma; sister Ina Mae Groves, Vichy, Missouri and brother, Bud Caringer, Cherryville, Missouri; along with a host of nieces; nephews; and extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Ina Caringer, husband, Gene Bay, Father and Mother In law, JL and Ethel Bay, sister, Billie Manion, brother, Andy Caringer, five sisters in law, Audrey Akers, Wilma Bay, Charolene Bay, Louise Bay, Thelma Bay, six brothers in law, Wayne Akers, George Bay, Jim Bay, Jerome Bay, Gerald Groves, Sterling Manion.

Marie enjoyed gardening, cooking, riding horses with her family and friends, and all types of needlework, crocheting, knitting, and quilting. Her greatest pleasure and most enjoyable moments were when she was with her family, especially her grandsons Matt and Tyler and great grandchildren Grace, Faith,

and Gus. Marie fondly loved her family and friends and will be deeply missed by them.

Funeral Services for Marie Bay will be held Friday July 20, 2018 at 11:00 AM at the Salem Chapel Of James & Gahr Mortuary with Bro. Michael York and Bro. Phil Newcom officiating. Visitation will be held from 9:30 AM until service time of 11:00 AM. Interment will be in the North Lawn Cemetery in Salem. Memorial are suggested to First Baptist Church Salem.

Cemetery Details

North Lawn Cemetery

Hwy 19 North
Salem, MO 65560
(573) 729-3117
dcjames@fidnet.com
<https://www.jamesgahrmortuary.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

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Tribute Wall



“ *Marie Bay*

January 30, 2023 at 04:37 AM



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January 30, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ *Dear family of Orpha,*

I was saddened to hear about Orpha's passing. I feel blessed to have been a part of her life over the last several years and part of yours. Prayers for Orpha and my condolences to all family members.

Rowena Delos Santos - one of Orpha's doctors in St. Louis

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“ *Sending sympathy and prayers to you all. Marie was a special lady. I always enjoyed visiting with her, she always acted like she was glad to see you and always had a smile. She and your Dad were just like family. She will be missed. My thoughts are with you during this difficult time.*

Susanne Berry - July 19, 2018 at 09:35 PM



“ *She was such a kind and caring lady she will be missed. Chris Raulston*

chris Raulston - July 19, 2018 at 11:40 AM