



Nettie Faye Gowen

March 4, 1937 - June 20, 2024

With profound sadness we announce the passing of Faye, a remarkable woman whose 87 years on earth were marked by unwavering love, positivity, and boundless wisdom. Faye left us on June 20, 2024, a peaceful Thursday morning, surrounded by the love of the family she adored.

Nettie “Faye” Gowen of Salem, Missouri was born in Ellington, Missouri on March 4, 1937 to the late Luther and Audra (Duncan) Hassell.

At the age of 10 Faye was introduced to Albert “Al” Gowen, by a cousin that had brought him by the house. Little did she know that some nine years later he would be her forever. On December 9, 1954, Miss Nettie Faye Hassell married the love of her life, Mr. Albert Gowen, this union was blessed with three children. Faye fell right into her role as a new wife, and as her family grew the role got a little bigger, and now she was a mother. Faye was always so thankful for Al, he supported the family so that she could stay home and raise their children.

Faye cared deeply for her family and neighbors. She did this not out of obligation, but because of who she was. She was always the first to offer help. She regularly brought meals to the homes of sick neighbors. And she always ensured that every child who crossed her threshold was safe, healthy, and happy.

Every spring Faye would start planning her garden, she knew exactly how much room she had and what she needed to plant that would feed her family over the winter months. She planted her seeds, weeded, and hoed, and as

soon as the first of her bounty was on the vines, the canning would begin. What she didn't can, she would share with her neighbors and friends. Faye was also a great quilter, she made sure everyone in the family had a quilt, most of the time the grandkids would go home from the hospital with a quilt lovingly made by grandma Faye. She was a woman of faith and attended Grace Community Church, active on the Prayer Team, Ladies in the Kitchen, and the Funeral Dinner Team.

Faye was a true Cardinal Baseball fan, not a fair weathered fan, if they lost Faye would say "well they always have tomorrow", if the pitching was bad "well he can only get better next time" her positivity wasn't lost on her beloved Cardinals. Most importantly she loved spending time with friends and family, a card game, a board game, or just visiting, Faye would cook a meal, or just some desserts, and they would sit around for hours, talking and laughing. She was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, a brand new great-grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend who will be lovingly missed by all that knew and loved her.

Nettie Faye Gowen is survived by her husband of 69 1/2 years, Albert Gowen of the home; children, Sandra Parks and husband Dennis, of House Springs, MO, and Alan Douglas Gowen and wife Kali, of Dittmer, MO; grandchildren-Donald (Kate) Mraz, Alexander (Cheyenne) Gowen, Zachary (Jackie) Gowen; great-grandson, five day old Samuel Alexander Gowen; step-grandsons, Brian, and Michael Parks; a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. In addition to her parents Luther and Audra Hassell, she was preceded in death by her daughter, Lana Stites, brother, Leon Hassell, and sister-in-law, Velma Hassell.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, June 22, 2024 at 2PM at the Grace Community Church in Salem, Missouri with Brother Terry Davis, and Brother Mickey Davis officiating. Interment will follow at the Northlawn Cemetery. Visitation for family and friends will be held at the Church prior to the service from 11AM until service time. Memorials are suggested to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, cards are available at all James & Gahr locations.

Cemetery Details

North Lawn Cemetery

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

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **22**. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Grace Community Church
Salem, MO 65560

Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ Darryl, Darlene, Joeie, Tamie & Tiffany planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Nettie Faye Gowen.

Darryl, Darlene, Joeie, Tamie & Tiffany - June 21, 2024 at 02:19 PM

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“ Darryl, Darlene, Joeie, Tamie & Tiffany purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Nettie Faye Gowen.



Darryl, Darlene, Joeie, Tamie & Tiffany - June 21, 2024 at 02:19 PM