



Pauline Gargus

January 9, 1931 - February 23, 2021

Pauline Gargus of St. James, Missouri passed away on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at the St. James Living Center after a courageous battle with Alzheimer's Disease. Pauline was born in St. James, Missouri on January 9, 1931 to the late Cecil Sr. and Gladys (Hicks) Parsons.

Pauline was united in marriage to Virgil Victor Gargus, Sr. on March 7, 1947 and to this union seven children were born. Pauline attended the First Assembly of God Church in St. James. She enjoyed gardening, and always had a bountiful garden to share with friends and family, with plenty to can for the long winter months. She loved to cook for everyone, and always cooked for the employees at the sawmill, she made sure they got a hot, homemade meal Monday through Friday, every week until her health no longer permitted. In addition to what she grew to put up, Pauline went to the grape fields, strawberry fields, and to the woods for strawberries, grapes, and blackberries, she was always the fastest picker, but always took her seven children to help. Pauline loved everyone, she was always the first to lend a hand, or cook a meal for anyone in need. Pauline enjoyed the humming birds, she had six or seven feeders each year, she had so many humming birds she had to refill almost everyday, she would jokingly tell people that she thought the bears were drinking the nectar. She was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend, and will be forever missed by all that knew and loved her.

Pauline Gargus is survived by her children, Virgil Victor Gargus Jr. and wife Hazel, of St. James, MO, Larry Gargus and wife Carolyn, of St. James, MO, Phyllis Malone and husband Marlin, of St. James, MO, Mike Gargus and wife Renee, of Jefferson City, MO,

Mark Gargus, of St. James, MO, and Jan Gargus, of Rolla, MO; many, many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great great-grandchildren; brother, Stanley Parsons, and wife Vonda, of Edgar Springs, MO; sisters, Dorothy Loughridge, of St. James, MO, Kay Tilford and husband Gary, of Salem, MO, and Toni Earls, of Salem, MO; a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. In addition to her parents Cecil Sr. and Gladys Parsons, Pauline was preceded in death by her husband Virgil Gargus Sr. in 2005, and her son Terry "Putt" Dwayne Gargus in 1977, daughter-in-law, Teresa Gargus, in 2009; siblings, Janet Loughridge in 1969, Ron Parsons in 1997, Cecil Jr. Parsons in 1999, and Kenneth Parsons in 2016.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, February 27, 2021 at 1:00 PM at the St. James Chapel of the James & Gahr Mortuary with Chaplain Mike Reno officiating. Visitation will be held at the Chapel on Friday, February 26, 2021 from 5-8 PM. Interment will be at the Asher Cemetery with Donald Gargus, Justin Gargus, Joshua Gargus, Kaleb Karnes, Seth Gargus, and Jim Earl serving as pallbearers, and Virgil Gargus III, John Harris, Mikey Gargus, Christopher Gargus, Jason Gargus, Mike Seper, Jeremy Gargus, Jennifer Karnes, Kimberly Gargus, Olivia Kramer, and Steven Kramer serving as honorary pallbearers. Memorials in lieu of flowers are suggested to the Alzheimer's Association, cards are available at all James & Gahr locations. For online condolences please visit www.jamesgahrmortuary.com

Cemetery Details

Asher Cemetery

St. James, MO 65559

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 26. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

James & Gahr Mortuary - St. James

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pauline Gargus*

January 30, 2023 at 04:37 AM



“ *Pauline Gargus*

January 30, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all the family. I remember as a young girl playing with my cousins. I am sorry for your loss.*

Love, Karen Jones Hicks



Karen JonesHicks - February 27, 2021 at 10:07 AM



“ *This lady was very special to me. The first time I became an official member of the family was December 12th, 1969. My Christmas, following right after with them was unbelievable! I remember all the gifts and food that was in her home. I can remember the tree, the love and the warmth. I have never seen so much homemade fudge, cookies and a delicious big meal! She was a very great Mother in Law! She is the last of my Sons Grandparents. We were close and she was like a mother to me. I loved her values of a family and she showed that to each of us daughter in laws as well as others. I remember her as a very hard working and giving person. I will always remember her laughter and caring heart. I will keep you near to my heart forever. I am so glad I gave You 2 wonderful Grandsons and 6 Beautiful Grandchildren. RIP Pauline, Almyra Gargus*

Almyra Gargus - February 27, 2021 at 01:59 AM

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“ We are thinking of you all and sending much love your way. We know Pauline is being welcomed in heaven by Buck and Katherine and all her family and friends who have gone before her.
Tiger, Mary, Megan and Brandon

Mary Shackelford - February 26, 2021 at 12:06 PM

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Our sincere sympathy to the family of Pauline she was a dear sweet soul and wife to Virgil. A Sister in the Lord. She is Home at last

Judy Durbin Schanta - March 08, 2021 at 04:00 PM