



Peggy Jean (Litty) Whitaker

October 14, 1930 - January 27, 2025

Peggy Jean (Litty) Whitaker was born October 14, 1930, in Sligo, Missouri. She was the daughter of James Arthur and Mary Clarice (Murray) Litty. She graduated with the class of 1948 Cherryville High School.

Peggy was united in marriage to the love of her life, Raymond Whitaker, on May 20, 1950, at the Methodist Church in St. Louis, Missouri. To this union they were blessed with three children: Ryan, Vicki, and Russell. Peggy and Raymond shared nearly fifty-three years of marriage and memories before his passing May 8, 2003.

Peggy and Raymond were longtime business owners of Whitaker Building Supply in Salem, Missouri. They enjoyed serving the community until their retirement in 1995. In her spare time, Peggy enjoyed keeping herself busy painting and crocheting. She loved her chocolate and enjoyed baking sweets for her loved ones.

Her most cherished role was that of a grandmother. She treasured time spent with her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren, and her love for them was immeasurable. Her family was the center of her life, and she was always eager to offer support, love, and guidance.

Peggy was a longtime member of Salem First Baptist Church. She loved

attending Sunday School and Sunday Worship as well as being a part of the Bereavement Ministry. Spending time and taking trips with the Widow's Group is something she always looked forward to.

Peggy entered eternal rest January 27, 2025, in Rolla, Missouri, at the age of ninety-four years. She is survived by her son: Ryan Whitaker and wife Tina of Salem, MO; daughter: Vicki Rowan and husband Larry of Salem, MO; daughter-in-law: Kim Whitaker of Salem, MO; grandchildren: Lance Whitaker, Drew Whitaker and wife Shonda, Phillip Rowan and wife Teri, Eric Rowan and wife Ann, Jennifer Schaefer and husband Tom, and Jaime Roweton and husband Brock; great-grandchildren: Mackenzie, Bayleigh and Penelope Whitaker; Austin Bettigrew and wife Danielle; Brittany Rowan; Russell, Taylor and Turner Roweton; and Jocelyn, Madelyn, and Katelyn Schaefer; great-great-grandchildren: Nolyn and Blakely; as well as several nieces, nephews, other relatives, and dear friends.

Preceding her in death were her husband: Raymond Whitaker; son: Russell Whitaker; granddaughter: Jessica Whitaker; parents: J.A. and Clarice Litty; and her brother: James "Jim" Litty Jr. and wife Shirley.

Peggy always had a smile on her face that she shared with those around her. She will be deeply missed, but forever remembered for her caring heart, generous spirit, and sweet legacy she leaves behind.

Funeral Services for Peggy Jean (Litty) Whitaker were held Thursday, February 6, 2025, in the Wilson Mortuary Salem Chapel with Joe Brand officiating. Special Music was provided by Ann Emory, David Hancock, and Lisa Wulff. Serving as Pallbearers were Ryan Whitaker, Drew Whitaker, Eric Rowan, Brittany Rowan, Tom Schaefer, and Brock Roweton. Honorary Pallbearers were Lance Whitaker, Phillip Rowan, and Austin Bettigrew. Burial was in the Cedar Grove Cemetery. Arrangements were under the direction of

Wilson Mortuary of Salem, Missouri.

Condolences may be left online at www.wilsonmortuary.com

Cemetery Details

Cedar Grove Cemetery

Salem, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 6. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Wilson Mortuary - Salem
1000 West Scenic Rivers Blvd.
Post Office Box 45
Salem, MO 65560
(573) 729-5555
<https://www.wilsonmortuary.com/>

Funeral Service

FEB 6. 1:00 PM (CT)

Wilson Mortuary - Salem
1000 West Scenic Rivers Blvd.
Post Office Box 45
Salem, MO 65560
(573) 729-5555
<https://www.wilsonmortuary.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album videos Album



Wilson Mortuary - February 11, 2025 at 06:12 PM



“ Jerry Higgins lit a candle in memory of Peggy Jean (Litty) Whitaker



jerry higgins - February 06, 2025 at 09:20 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Peggy Jean (Litty) Whitaker.

February 03, 2025 at 12:10 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Peggy Jean (Litty) Whitaker.



February 03, 2025 at 12:10 PM

BC

“ We have good memories of Peggy, and her late husband, Ray, because many years ago we attended the same church and made our occasional drives to Montauk State Park to savor a delicious meal at the Lodge. We were blessed to know their children, Vicky and Ryan, and send them our sincere Love and deep Sympathy at the loss of their dear Mother. Prayers from your friends, Charlie & Betty Carmack



Betty Carmack - January 30, 2025 at 01:37 AM

WR

“ Weston and Rachel Richardson purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Peggy Jean (Litty) Whitaker.



Weston and Rachel Richardson - January 28, 2025 at 06:07 PM

RB

“ Peggy was a great lady. Every time I did her yard she was so happy. We sat and talked baseball before I'd leave. She be watching cardinal game always when she could. Just joy to be around. Prayers for all the family. I knew most of them. Great family

Randy Barton - January 28, 2025 at 04:41 PM

AS

“ I am a CNA at Silverstone Place Peggy was so sweet. She had a smile on her face when she saw any staff. I am going to miss taking care of her. Peggy kept us on our toes. Mrs Peggy Rest In Piece sweet angel until we meet again!



Andrew Sutton - January 28, 2025 at 04:09 PM