



## Barbara Ann Knowles

March 30, 1932 - October 18, 2019

Barbara Ann Knowles, age 87, of Laclede, passed away Friday, October 18, 2019, at Pioneer Skilled Nursing Marceline, Missouri

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 am on Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at Brookfield Assembly of God Church, Brookfield, with Pastor Mike Christian officiating. Burial will follow at Laclede Cemetery, Laclede, Missouri. A Visitation will be held from 6:00-8:00 pm on Tuesday, October 22, 2019 at Brookfield Assembly of God Church, Brookfield, Missouri. Memorials have been suggested to Brookfield Food Pantry, and may be left at or sent to Rhodes Funeral Home, 216 Linn Street, Brookfield, MO 64628. Online registry at [www.rhodesfh.com](http://www.rhodesfh.com).

Barbara Ann, daughter of Harry Angelus Shields and Eva (Ashbaker) Shields, was born on March 30, 1932 in Mt. Sterling, IL. Barbara loved the Lord and her family. She spent her life boldly and enthusiastically telling people about Jesus and God's love. She loved to dance during worship in church with a smile as big as her hands were raised high. Her passion and desire for everyone to hear about and personally know Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior was a fire that no circumstances could ever put out. Her spiritual legacy lives on through anyone willing to surrender their entire life to Jesus Christ. She had no greater desires than to be with God forever and for everyone to receive the free gift of eternal life!

Barbara is survived by her children, Bruce Knowles (Ellen), Marshall, MO; Danny Knowles, Lexington, MO; Lisa Lee (Larry), Linneus, MO; Joe Knowles (Micki) Gladstone, MO; and Robert Knowles (Charlyn), Laclede, MO; her grandchildren, Mark Knowles (Melissa), Tammy Knowles, Carolyn Knowles, Michael Knowles, Christina Richardson (Jimmy), Jason Lee (Amanda), Matt Lee (Heather), Josh Knowles, Monica Knowles, Elijah Knowles (Amanda), T.J. Knowles (Roxanne), and Beth Knowles; as well as several great grandchildren and other friends and relatives.

Barbara was preceded in death by her husband, Ralph Knowles; two daughters, Cheryl Knowles and Nancy Boebel and one son, Steve Knowles

# Cemetery Details

## Laclede Cemetery

Laclede, MO 64651

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Brookfield Assembly of God Church  
26603 Ira Dr.  
Brookfield, MO 64628

## Funeral Service

OCT **23**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Brookfield Assembly of God Church  
26603 Ira Dr.  
Brookfield, MO 64628

# Tribute Wall

.E

“ Aunt Barbara was a kind, loving and faithful Daughter of our Lord. She always had a kind word for everyone. The last time I talked with her on the phone she had called me to share some insights and understandings. She was always always one to love above everything. She was a dear woman indeed. She will be missed but leaves a true legacy of descendants who are all precious gems in her crown. Love you all. Cousin Debbie Knowles Erickson

.deborah Knowles Erickson - October 26, 2019 at 05:09 AM

RD

“ PRAYERS TO THE FAMILY. SO SORRY 4 YOUR LOSS....ROSEMARY ALLEN DUNCAN AND FAMILY



ROSEMARY ALLEN DUNCAN - October 21, 2019 at 02:55 PM

Lisa Lee

“ 4 files added to the album Barbara



Lisa Lee - October 20, 2019 at 10:22 PM

BR

“ *Brenda lit a candle in memory of Barbara Ann Knowles*



---

**Brenda** - October 20, 2019 at 06:16 PM

BK

“ *What can I say mother raised 8 children including me never found her to be harsh but yet strict always leading never yelling got us through great and yet sad X always loved all of us we will miss you Mom your son Bruce*

---

**Bruce knowles** - October 20, 2019 at 12:25 PM

LN

“ Only knew for the last few months of her time on earth, but so thankful that God had our paths cross at Pioneer , when my mother became her roommate. It did not take long for us to become friends, and we had some very dear conversations and prayer time. Just before my own mother died on June Barb and I prayed that Jesus would take her at the right time. Barb and I were able to continue our friendship after my own mother died, as I was drawn to her and loved her. About 9 or 10 days prior to her death, we had 3 visits where we sang hymns, and prayed Our last visit ended with a prayer, as we thanked Jesus that each of us were ready to meet Him, as recipients of salvation based on His grace, His righteousness, not our own, and that one day, would meet In heaven. Based on the last few times I had visited her, it seemed she would meet Jesus before me, but i had hoped for some more visits with her. Rejoicing, while saddened, as she was such a lady, and so blessed to have become her friend. God is good,always good. I imagine you dancing and leaping and singing with many, including my mom, as you glorify our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. I love you, Barb.

---

Lynn Nozime - October 20, 2019 at 02:32 AM

MI

“ She walked through this world sharing the sweet fragrance of Jesus. Loving others, helping others, a life truly lived as a witness for the glory of God. She blessed us and taught us and loved us without judgment. My favorite memories of her are when she sat outside in the mornings underneath the tree on Sedgwick, savoring the love letters and wisdom of God's Word, the bread of her life. She flourished in the sunlight of His Truth and bore the fruit of righteousness in abundance. We love you Barb and in spite of our sorrowful loss, we know it will be only a moment before we are all together again in the amazing home that Jesus has prepared for us in the presence of God. Come quickly Lord Jesus. Amen.

---

**Micki** - October 19, 2019 at 06:50 PM

LW

“ I worked with Barb at McLarney Manor several years ago, and attended Church many years with her. She will always have a special place in my heart! Love her and enjoyed watching her children grow up and becoming successful individuals! Thankful Barb is walking the streets of gold now! Will truly be missed!!

---

**Louise Weitzel** - October 19, 2019 at 04:50 PM

JJ

“ I'll never forget the time she came back to Indiana and stayed with me for a few weeks while she was visiting friends here in Indiana. We had such long talks and she was so wise. She was a delight to be around. Love you always Aunt Barb. Jackie

---

**Jackie Knowles Bettinger/ Johnson** - October 19, 2019 at 04:25 PM

FL

“ We had such fun learning to drive, although she never passed her license. Laughter with my Aunt Barb was the special part of our conversations. She found humor everywhere. She was intelligent, kind to a fault, and wisdom flowed from her. She was one of God's gifts to us all.

---

**Fran Lambert** - October 19, 2019 at 03:41 PM