



Juletta Lou Ratliff

January 21, 1949 - June 14, 2023

Juletta Lou Ratliff, age 74 of Brookfield, MO; passed away Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at Pershing Memorial Hospital in Brookfield, MO.

Juletta was born January 21, 1949 in Brookfield, MO. She was the daughter of Julian Reese and Montie Lou (Bailey) Ratliff. Juletta graduated from Ethel High School, class of 1966 in Ethel, MO. She attended North East Missouri State Collage for coaching, where she played basketball. After attending North East Missouri Collage, she pursued a nursing carer. Juletta studied nursing at Moberly Area Community Collage in Moberly, MO. After becoming an RN, she went to work for the University Hospital as a NICU nurse from 1988 to 2004. Juletta later became a traveling nurse and traveled to many states until she retired.

Juletta enjoyed being with her family, cooking, gardening, reading, music, MU Collage sports, and the St. Louis Cardinals basketball. She loved at attend her nieces and nephews sporting events.

Juletta is survived by her mother, Montie Lou Ratliff of Brookfield, two brothers, Rick Ratliff of Hannibal and Kyle Ratliff of Kirksville; and seven nieces and nephews, Chris, Mandy, Josh, Kyleigh, Bailey, Dakota, and Brooklyn; several great nieces and nephews, and several great-great nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father, Julian Reese Ratliff; maternal grandparents, Monte and Lizzie Bailey, and Gilbert and Evelyn Ratliff.

A Celebration of life will be held Sunday, July 2, 2023 form 2:00 pm. to 4:00

pm. at the Ethel City Park, Ethel, MO; followed by a dinner at 4:30 pm. at the Ethel Community Church, Ethel, MO; for family and friends to continue the celebration of Juletta "Juretta" Ratliff.

Memorial donations can be made to the Family and can be left at or mailed to Rhodes Funeral Home, 216 Linn Street, Brookfield, MO. 64628. Online condolences can be made at www.rhodesfh.com

Arrangements are under the direction of Rhodes Funeral Home, Brookfield, MO.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUL 2. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM.

Ethel City Park
Ethel, MO

With a diner to follow at 4:30 pm. at the Ethel Community Church, Ethel, MO. for family and friends to continue the celebration.

Tribute Wall



“ *Donna Greene lit a candle in memory of
Juletta Lou Ratliff* ”



Donna Greene - July 14, 2023 at 10:26 AM

JR

“ Aunt J always held a place of solace for me as I journeyed through adolescence. Thank you for the summer fishing trips and taco eating competitions while hanging out in the back of pontoon toting truck bed with Chris (remember that cuz?) She directed me towards singing and music which I rejected mostly until adult hood, like everything else lol. She was unbelievably outspoken and cared deeply for her family no matter the situation.

I bid farewell to a beloved soul who has embarked on her journey through the realms beyond. While we mourn her physical absence, celebrate the wisdom and teachings that accompany her on this profound voyage and let remembrance ring in the moments she brought forth.

Throughout her life, Aunt J embraced the beauty and wonder of spirituality finding inspiration and guidance in their profound teachings. As she transitions into the ethereal realms, we hold dear the following words, which illuminate her path and bring comfort to our grieving hearts:

"Like a gentle breeze, may the universe help guide your eternal voyage. May you find harmony as you flow with the cosmic currents, forever connected to the vast tapestry of existence."

As you enter the realm of Nirvana, may you experience the ultimate liberation from suffering and attain the serenity that comes from understanding the impermanence of all things. May your journey be one of profound enlightenment and compassion for all sentient beings.

In the embrace of the afterlife, may you embody the essence of pure energy, effortlessly aligning with the divine flow of the universe. May your spirit be at peace as you surrender to the cosmic dance, knowing that true strength lies in yielding to the greater forces that guide us.

May you embody the boundless love and grace that Christianity teaches us. May you rest in the embrace of divine providence, knowing that God's eternal care guides your journey, ensuring that you are forever cradled in gods loving arms.

As you transcend the boundaries of earthly existence, may you experience the eternal life

promised by faith. May your soul find solace in the hope of resurrection, knowing that in the embrace of divine love, life continues in infinite forms beyond our comprehension.

In our hearts you will forever reside, cherished and remembered for the love, joy, and wisdom she shared during her time with us. As we bid you farewell, we find solace in the knowledge that you now embark on a sacred journey, guided by the wisdom you treasured in life.

Rest in peace, dear Aunt Julleta. May your spirit find eternal serenity and may your voyage through the afterlife be a testament to the profound wisdom you embodied.

With much love and reverence,

Joshua

Joshua Ratliff - July 02, 2023 at 12:16 PM

KY

Nicely wrote my brother!

Kyleigh - July 02, 2023 at 08:59 PM

JR

We had some memorable moments in nursing school and a fun trip to Fl. Rest in peace and joy with our Lord Jesus Christ.

Jan Waltman R.N.C.C.M. - January 24 at 08:26 PM

DK

“ Sincere sympathy to the Ratliff and Bailey family. Juletta was a jewel 💖. She sweet, kind, and had a big sense of humor. No doubt she's singing lullabies in heaven. Our cousin memories will always be dear to our hearts.

Sorry we can't be there for her celebration of life. I'm so glad I got to chat with her recently.

Hugs & Prayers

Dana (Bradley) Killman

Bill & Darlene Bradley

Dana S Killman - July 01, 2023 at 09:48 PM

SH

“ Shelley lit a candle in memory of Juletta Lou Ratliff



Shelley - July 01, 2023 at 06:09 PM

SH

“ So sorry to hear of this. She was a Rockstar she sang and played guitar at my wedding she was such a Beautiful soul. We wish you all are Deepist Sympathy and are prayers. Shelley Mallett and Family

Shelley - July 01, 2023 at 06:08 PM

BG

“ So sorry to hear of Juletta passing! She was my preceptor thirty years ago when I started working in the NICU at the Univ of MO. She taught me so much!! I knew how to take cares of babies but hardly anything about being a nurse for premies and sick term babies. She was a gem of a person!!

Bunnia Greenwood - June 30, 2023 at 10:30 PM

RW

“ 26 years ago, Juletta was the nurse for my preemie daughter born at University Hospital. My daughter is now 26 years old and we owe so much to Juletta and her teammates who nursed my daughter to health. RIP, Juletta.

Robert Wolverton - June 30, 2023 at 04:18 PM

LH

“ To the family of Juletta , You have our sympathy , have known the family for year's .
Linda & Lonnie Hensley



Linda & Lonnie Hensley - June 30, 2023 at 10:46 AM

LY

“ So sorry to hear of Juletta's passing. We met at Northeast Missouri State Teacher's College. She graciously invited me to her house one weekend where I met her little brother Kyle. I had never heard that name before but I loved it and named my son Kyle! Many fond memories. Rest in peace my friend!

Linda Ward Yackley - June 30, 2023 at 10:45 AM

GG

“ Sending condolences to family in your loss of daughter and sister at this time.
Will be thinking of you, sorry we're unable to attend service. Gabe and Sandy Gabriel

Gabe & Sandy Gabriel - June 29, 2023 at 10:08 PM

LV

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Juletta and I met and became friends in college. Being friends with Juletta brought many happy times. Everyone enjoyed her musical talents of playing guitar and singing. Couldn't beat it when she and Deb harmonized. She will be missed.

Linda Vallie - June 29, 2023 at 02:04 PM

KK

“ 56 years ago we met at Truman State. Fast grinds ever since. Great memories of visiting her and her family in Ethel. Great times. So many memories of escapades and trips over the years. She shared most of my life's important events. Including bridesmaid in my wedding. My sons loved her. My husband considered her family. Loved having her join us for fishing and camping trips. We will miss her forever.

Karen Kerr - June 29, 2023 at 01:40 PM

MC

“ I remember our basketball trip to Atlantic City back in either 1965 or 1966 and the fun we had! Will miss her

Mary Alice Carpenter - June 29, 2023 at 07:17 AM

BT

“ So sorry to hear the news about Juletta. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family. Bill & Shane Thudium

Bill & Shane Thudium - June 27, 2023 at 04:02 PM