



## Lesta Oliver

December 26, 1920 - May 1, 2017

Lesta Oliver, age 96 years, a resident of Cypress, Illinois, passed away Monday morning, May 1, 2017, at 5:50 AM at Massac Memorial Hospital.

Lesta was born December 26, 1920 near Cypress. She was the daughter of Noah and Sarah (Sickling) Sexton.

On August 20, 1936, Lesta was united in marriage to Herschel Oliver at Belknap. He preceded her in death on April 2, 2010.

Lesta is survived by: 3 sons – Carrol Oliver of Cypress, Darrel Oliver (his wife, Helen) of Hampshire, and Gerald (his wife, Phyllis) Oliver of Vienna; 10 grandchildren and several great and great-great grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, Lesta was preceded in death by: a son – Gregory Dale Oliver; a daughter – Linda L. Dunn; a daughter-in-law – Sharon Oliver; a son-in-law - Donald Dunn; 3 brothers – Otto Wilson, Vernie Sexton and Thelbert Sexton; and 2 sisters – June Riley and Stella VanMeter.

Lesta was a homemaker and had been employed in a hosiery manufacturing plant in Kankakee. Lesta also worked as a cook at the Cypress Grade School and as a clerk at both Lentz Store and Green's Store in Cypress.

Lesta attended the Cypress United Methodist Church. She was a member of the former Cypress Chapter Order of the Eastern Star.

Lesta enjoyed making a variety of handcrafts, including sewing, knitting, crochet and quilting. She was also an avid reader, gardener, enjoyed camping and fishing. Lesta is fondly remembered for love of yard sales and for her devotion to her beloved family.

A funeral service honoring the life of Lesta Oliver will be conducted Saturday morning, May 6, 2017, at 11 AM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Kenny Baker will officiate. Burial will be in the Cypress Cemetery.

Visitation will be conducted from 10 AM – 11 AM Saturday at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Illinois Chapter, 320 East Walnut Street, Suite A, Carbondale, IL 62901, American Cancer Society, 4503 W. DeYoung Street, Suite 200C, Marion, IL 62959 or to the American Heart Association, 3316 Paysphere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674.

# Cemetery Details

## Cypress Cemetery

5847 State Route 37 South  
Cypress, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home  
705 North First Street  
PO Box 695  
Vienna, IL 62995  
(618) 658-2311  
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com  
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## Service

MAY 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Bailey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lesta Oliver



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**Bailey Funeral Home** - May 04, 2017 at 10:53 AM



“ Lesta Oliver

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January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ Your all in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Denise Foster & Family** - May 04, 2017 at 12:01 PM



“ Anita Bullock lit a candle in memory of Lesta Oliver



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**Anita Bullock** - May 03, 2017 at 06:08 PM

PW

“ Pat Womack lit a candle in memory of Lesta Oliver



pat womack - May 03, 2017 at 10:43 AM

WB

“ So sorry for your loss , prayers for the family



Wm&Nancy Belford - May 03, 2017 at 10:21 AM



“ Jeannie McCall lit a candle in memory of Lesta Oliver



Jeannie McCall - May 01, 2017 at 09:44 PM



Penny, so sorry for your loss. Love and prayers for all the family.

Jeannie McCall - May 01, 2017 at 09:45 PM

LaRay  
Capron

“ *LaRay Capron lit a candle in memory of Lesta Oliver*



LaRay Capron - May 01, 2017 at 05:42 PM

DB

“ *Debbie Bradley sent a virtual gift in memory of Lesta Oliver*



Debbie Bradley - May 01, 2017 at 05:31 PM

CT

“ *Carla Tapley lit a candle in memory of Lesta Oliver*



Carla Tapley - May 01, 2017 at 05:28 PM

MS

“ *Mike & Nancy Solomon lit a candle in memory of Lesta Oliver*



Mike & Nancy Solomon - May 01, 2017 at 05:01 PM

MS

*Thoughts and prayers for the family at this time.*

**Mike & Nancy Solomon** - May 01, 2017 at 05:02 PM

JB

“ *Ted, Joy, Grace & Emily Beggs.*



**Joy Beggs** - May 01, 2017 at 04:44 PM

MH

“ *Mike & June Hartline lit a candle in memory of Lesta Oliver*



**Mike & June Hartline** - May 01, 2017 at 04:04 PM

NA

“ *Lesta Oliver was a beautiful soul.  
Condolences to the entire Oliver Family.*



**Norma McHugh Adami** - May 01, 2017 at 03:53 PM

JR

“ *James And Diane Rainbolt lit a candle in memory of Lesta Oliver*



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**James and Diane Rainbolt** - May 01, 2017 at 03:46 PM



“ *Sheila Merideth lit a candle in memory of Lesta Oliver*



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**Sheila Merideth** - May 01, 2017 at 03:43 PM