



Lillie Askew

September 26, 1923 - December 27, 2015

PLEASE NOTE...PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED.

A PRIVATE INTERMENT WILL BE AT A LATER DATE IN THE TAYLOR CEMETERY, NORTH OF VIENNA.

Lillie Askew 92, of Bartonville, Illinois previously of Marion, Illinois passed away Sunday, December 27, 2015 at 5:38 p.m. at St. Josephs West Hospital, Lake St. Louis Missouri surrounded by her loving family and listening to the 1968 World Series. Her passing was a bit of a shock to all who knew her as she had told everyone she was going to be knocked in the head at Judgement Day. She was saved and of Baptist Faith. She was born September 26, 1923 to Clarence and Eva (Martin) Burke, who preceded her in death. In the last few years of her life, she had to routinely receive blood and iron transfusions. Each time the nurse would ask her name and date of birth, which she proudly told them. However, one day she apparently got tired of telling them. So when they asked she said, "You know youins ask me my name and my birthday every time I come here. And I have yet to see a birthday present! Not the wrappings of my finger did I get from you girls. Yet every time I come in here you ask me the same thing!" Of course she had all the "girls" and her many doctors charmed and entertained at each visit. She loved all of those who "treated her like a queen to help her live 'til Judgement Day." Hard work was not a stranger to Lillie. Her husband, Delbert Askew was in a logging accident

and was paralyzed from the waist down in 1962 while she was pregnant with her last child. She dedicated her life to caring for him at home as well as her children. In addition, she took in ironing to supplement the family's income. In 1968, her husband passed away. She stepped up to the challenge, caring for her children, doing ironings at home and then she finally began working for the Harry L. Crisp family in their home in various capacities. The Crisp family became her second family. She loved each of them with all her heart. She retired in 1986. However, she kept in contact with them throughout her life. After retirement she decided to move to Bartonville to live with her oldest daughter Mary Ruth. She enjoyed her time there as an active member of the American Legion Auxiliary. She loved cooking for Bingo on Sunday and getting to know the many ladies in the Auxiliary. Her passion was the St. Louis Cardinals. A lifelong fan of the Cardinals. Back when they were on the radio she listened to each game and wrote down all the plays. Then when her husband came home from his work she went over the game with him. She never missed a game. She cussed like a sailor when they made a mistake or heaven forbid lost to the Cubs! She said she couldn't wait to talk to Stan the Man when she got up there and watch the games from the skybox with him! She also enjoyed making many beautiful hand embroidered quilts for her family and her grandbabies. She loved to visit with her other children. Coming to stay with each of them and loving on their children. In her later years she came to visit her youngest daughter Lori in O'Fallon, Missouri. She made sure we knew her room and her "things" were in her room at Mary Ruth's home. Going back to check on them just to make sure! She is survived by her children. Mary Ruth (Bob) Zimbelman, Bartonville, Illinois. Debbie (Jim) Shipley, Villa Ridge, Illinois. Mitchell (Georganne) Askew, Houston, Texas. Jimmy (Patsy) Askew, Marion, Illinois. Lori (Scott) Allen, O'Fallon, Missouri. Many Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren, and Great Great Grandchildren. To which she said made her a really "Great Grandma" which was certainly true! She adored her many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her many siblings, Cletus, Charlie, Buddy, Mary, Nellie, Doody, and Lorene.

She was looking forward to being with her Mommy and family and all the friends who passed before her. As she said many times, I know more people dead and in heaven than alive here on earth! Bailey Funeral Home, Vienna, Illinois has been entrusted with the services. The family has decided to have a private interment at a later date. Memorials may be made to Cardinals Care, 700 Clark Street, St. Louis, MO 63102 or ASPCA, PO Box 96929, Washington, D.C. 20090-6929. She asked that if at all possible, folks wear their cardinal red. While Cub fans are welcomed, but pitied, anyone with a cub shirt or hat will have to stand outside the tent and freeze!

Cemetery Details

Taylor Cemetery

5616 Highway 45 North
Vienna, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Lillie Askew*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *Sincerely, Southeastern Freight Lines family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Lillie Askew.*



Sincerely, Southeastern Freight Lines family - December 31, 2015 at 12:10 PM



“ *I was very fond of Lillie - such a beautiful lady. I always enjoyed visiting with her when she stayed at Jim and Deb's place and I was there for a few days vacation. I loved her humor and know that she was a die hard Cardinal's Fan. She lived a good life and now she is at peace with our Lord in that glorious place in the sky. Rest well my friend and you will be missed very much! Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. Bev Parrott, Westmont, IL*



Beverly Parrott - December 30, 2015 at 04:57 PM

SA

“ 11 files added to the album New Album Name



Scott Allen - December 30, 2015 at 01:22 PM

DL

“ Danell & Vern Lemasters lit a candle in memory of Lillie Askew



Danell & Vern Lemasters - December 30, 2015 at 09:05 AM

DA

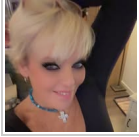
Lori, Our Deepest Sympathy to you in the loss of your sweet Mother. Always enjoyed all the stories you shared. I know you'll treasure all your wonderful memories of such a special lady. Our thoughts & prayers are with you & your Family. RIP Lillie!

Danell - December 30, 2015 at 09:07 AM

NB

“ My kids and I were part of that family aunt Lil was a special lady fun to be around we all loved her a lot i was married to her Nephew Eddie Mathis for 15 years

Nancy Mathis Belford - December 29, 2015 at 10:14 PM



“ *Lori I sure been thinking of you and praying. As I said before, I never met your mom but felt as if I knew her from all your stories on fb. She was my kinda gal. Love and comfort to you all. I'm so sorry for you but know you have many many memories that will live on!*

Joy Starrick - December 29, 2015 at 08:35 PM

CS

“ *She was such a big part of my childhood. She always made me feel special and loved. She had such a personality! God bless you ms. Askew!*

cara Crisp Simd - December 29, 2015 at 06:47 PM

MD

“ *Lori, I am so very sorry for the loss of your sweet momma. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May you all find comfort in all your sweet memories of her. God bless.*



Melinda Deaton - December 29, 2015 at 06:26 PM



So sorry for your loss Lori, God Bless you and your family.

Gina Miller-Kelley - December 29, 2015 at 08:52 PM

TN

Lori i am so very sorry of the loss of your mom, i totally understand that loss more than u know but i know she will be watching you from above.

T.c. Nwafor - December 29, 2015 at 09:43 PM

TS

I am sorry to hear about your Momma! I sure enjoyed your stories about her and will miss that! God bless you and your family for taking such great care of her!

Tatia Strang - December 30, 2015 at 04:34 PM

B(

So sad to hear of Aunt Lillie's passing. She was such an amazing person. I remember when grandpa and grandma Askew took Pammy and I to visit in Marion. We could set for hours and listen to her talk. She was a joy. May your memories find you the comfort at this time.

Bev Schwindenhammer (Trau) - January 05, 2016 at 10:45 AM

MH

Although I don't recall ever meeting Lillie, she certainly seems to have lived a full and wonderful life and will be missed by many. I would have liked to have known her. I first traveled to Marion about 22 years ago, from the West Coast, to meet some of my Askew cousins and stayed with Homer Askew. His daughter, Patsy, sent me a note about Lillie, as she knows I met quite a few cousins at Homer's 85th birthday party and Lillie may have been among the other guests. My condolences to all of her family.

Mary Hargrove-Steffens, Otis, Oregon

Mary Hargrove-Steffens - January 09, 2016 at 05:30 PM