



Wilma Mays

September 15, 1926 - December 27, 2020

Wilma Mays, 94, of Mt. Vernon, passed away at 8:10 a.m. Sunday, December 27, 2020, at Crossroads Community Hospital in Mt. Vernon.

She was born September 15, 1926, in Dix, the daughter of Troy and Grace (Mooney) Douthit. On December 24, 1945, in Dermott, Arkansas, she married Howard E. Mays, and he preceded her on December 23, 1975.

She graduated from Dix High School, and later graduate from cosmetology school in 1943. She was a member of Dix United Methodist Church, and was also a long time member of the Order of the Eastern Star, receiving her 50-year pin in 2018. She retired in 1996, after working for many years as a secretary at Casey Middle School in Mt. Vernon.

She is survived by one daughter, Trula Wells and husband Larry of Metropolis; two sons, Gerald Mays of Mt. Vernon, and Darrel Mays and wife Robyn of Mt. Vernon; four grandchildren, Melia Steffy and husband Jeff of Mt. Vernon, Joshua Mays and wife Buffy of Dahlgren, Tressa Porter and husband Chad of Woodlawn, and Tiffany Ellegood and husband Phillip of Calvert City, Kentucky; several great-grandchildren; one brother, Charles Douthit and wife Mary; two sisters, Ramona Flanigan and husband Mike, and Shirley Phelps; and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; and siblings, Bud Douthit, Marilyn Blackwell, and Gene Douthit.

Due to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic, a private family funeral service will be held, with burial to follow at Boyd Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial

gifts may be made to Jordan Chapel Cemetery, and will be accepted by mail to the Osborn Funeral Home, P.O. Box 130, Dix, Illinois 62830. Online condolences may be made at www.osbornfuneral.com, or on the Osborn Funeral Home Facebook page.

Cemetery Details

Boyd Cemetery

Dix, IL 62830

Tribute Wall

SL

“ Tula Amber and I send our prayers in the loss of your sweet momma..she was so very special. The staff of the Late Dr Thompson, Amber and Sally 😭

Sally Lisenby - January 11, 2021 at 08:58 PM

KS

“ I always enjoyed stopping by and visiting with Wilma when I made my rounds at Casey Middle School. She knew everything going on in D80 and had good advice for me to consider. She was always so sweet and pleasant to be around. Condolences to her family.

Kevin Settle - January 01, 2021 at 03:43 PM

JM

“ I can say she was my mother, father and grandmother. I have a lot of memories of my grandma that will stay with me forever. Love and miss you grandma your favorite grandson.

josh mays - December 30, 2020 at 08:36 PM

IS

“ I had the privilege to call Wilma both a friend and coworker. Wilma always had a kind word, beautiful smile and was a delight to work together. Glenda and I shared many laughs and lunches with her while she always shared something from her garden! May your precious memories help comfort you in the days to come.

Ileen Stevens - December 30, 2020 at 06:03 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of Wilma Mays.



December 30, 2020 at 12:25 PM



“ I was blessed to have her as a friend and coworker. She was one in a million.

Dorothy Puckett - December 30, 2020 at 12:04 PM



“ Wilma was the first one to convince me to try sauerkraut. Her homemade version was better than any I have ever tasted since. She was such a wonderful, kind, and loving person. I will never forget how her smile could brighten anyone's day! She will truly be missed.



Kendra Jones (Fritch) - December 30, 2020 at 12:50 AM



“ Such a kind special woman. Blessed to have known her. Prayers for comfort to her family. Sorry for you loss.

Marta Coleman - December 29, 2020 at 08:52 PM

LS

“ Wilma was a sweetheart. I enjoyed attending Dix Church with her and family. She also was a joy to work with at Zadok Casey. Prayers for the Family.

Larry Stonecipher - December 29, 2020 at 08:33 PM

LM

“ Most strong, gentle woman I've ever known! Aunt Wilma was so good to me!!

Lisa Mays - December 29, 2020 at 08:25 PM

KF

“ Wilma was such a beautiful lady with a warm, loving spirit. I and my children were blessed to attend Dix church with her. May your loving memories of her ease your pain of loss. In deepest sympathy, Kay Fritch

Kay Fritch - December 29, 2020 at 07:29 PM

VH

“ Vera Meadows Hayeß lit a candle in memory of Wilma Mays



Vera Meadows Hayeß - December 29, 2020 at 06:30 PM

VH

She was one of the Sweetest Ladies..., Enjoyed seeing her at Election time. Will miss you sweet Lady....?

Vera Meadows Hayeß - December 29, 2020 at 06:34 PM

DB

I have very fond memories of my Aunt Wilma. I will miss her.
Don Blackwell

Don Blackwell - September 23, 2021 at 01:45 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Wilma Mays.*



December 29, 2020 at 05:53 PM