



Audrey Nourse

December 19, 1937 - August 19, 2021

Nourse, Audrey (nee Smith), of St. Louis, Missouri, was born December 19, 1937 in Olean, New York to Homer and Marie (nee Whitmer) Smith and entered into eternal rest Thursday, August 19, 2021 in St. Louis, Missouri at the age of 83 years and 8 months.

She is preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her loving husband, John Nourse,

Five (5) children, Laurie (Matthew Tubby) Easton, of St. Louis Missouri, Jennifer Maples of San Antonio, Texas, Matthew (Teresa) Nourse of Elmhurst, Illinois, Timothy (Edwina) Easton, of Logan, Ohio, Jonathan (Naomi) Easton of Jerusalem, Israel.

Twelve (12) grandchildren, Sara-Tova, Ari, Tali, Adrian, Anissa, Sholom, Gage, Giulia, Sheina, Freida, Kevin, Velvi,

Four (4) great-grandchildren,

Two sisters, Janice (Bill) Bennett of Sammamish, Washington, Diane Dutton of Huntersville, North Carolina,

Four nieces and nephews, Sarah L., Mark, Peter, Sarah S.,

Many great nieces and great nephews,

many nieces and nephews,

along with numerous extended family and friends.

Audrey's first passion was her family. She spent her greatest moments with family members – swimming, boating, and fishing at Cuba Lake, Lake of the Ozarks or at the beaches on Washington Island. Audrey spent many hours snuggling up to read a good book by herself or more importantly with a grandchild, niece, or nephew. Her love of books carried over into writing - with a granddaughter - a children's book. She was well known for her chocolate chip cookies, the annual Easter Bunny Cake and making other special treats. Audrey shared her love of cooking with her children and grandchildren. Laughter reigned when she met up with her sisters Jan and Diane and extended family. We will never forget the family reunions in western NY and Lake of the Ozarks - most importantly the night the Smith girls met the skunk! Her most special times came with the love of her life, John. Together they travelled the world, played golf, and spent nine glorious years of their retirement experiencing the treasures of Washington Island in Northern Wisconsin.

Audrey had a strong faith in God and obtained her master's in divinity from Eden Theological Seminary in St. Louis. She served as a chaplain at churches and nursing homes in the St. Louis area as well as her contributions as a member of Samuel U.C.C. and Parkway U.C.C.. Prior to her ministry she worked as the Director of Continuing Education at the University of Missouri

St. Louis Business School. After graduating from Keuka College in New York, she served the church as a teacher for Christian Education.

In her spare time, Audrey could be found watching a game of Cardinals baseball or Green Bay Packers football. She also enjoyed fiercely competitive board games, puzzles, sudoku, and cross word puzzles - anything to feed her life-long love of learning. While on Washington Island she learned the art of rosemaling and produced beautiful pieces.

She cherished all of her many friendships. She never knew a stranger. She greeted friends both old and new with a warm hug. She loved meeting new people and accepted all - a trait she passed on to her children and grandchildren.

Arrangements handled by Chapel Hill Mortuary – Kirkwood. Memorial Visitation Friday, September 10, 2021 from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Parkway United Church of Christ, 2841 N. Ballas, St. Louis 63131. Celebration of Life will be held the following day, Saturday, September 11, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. followed by interment at Elm Lawn, Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Habitat for Humanity, 3830 S. Grand Blvd., St. Louis, MO, St Jude Children's Research Hospital, 680 Craig Road #300, St. Louis, Evangelical Children's Home, 8240 St. Charles Rock Road, St. Louis, or the charity of your choice. Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at www.stlfuneral.com and follow details of this event and others in the community at www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

SEP **10**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM.

Parkway United Church of Christ

Celebration of Life

SEP **11**. 1:00 PM.

Parkway United Church of Christ

Interment

SEP **11**. 2:00 PM.

Elm Lawn

Tribute Wall



“ Audrey Nourse

January 06, 2023 at 10:46 PM



“ *Jim and I share in your sadness at Audrey's passing. She was truly a blessing to many people. We loved hearing updates on her far flung family in her Christmas card. Our prayers will continue for all of you as you celebrate her life this weekend.*

Sincerely,

*Jim and Polly Winkelmann
Parkway UCC*

Jim and Polly Winkelmann - September 10, 2021 at 11:38 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Audrey Nourse.*



September 09, 2021 at 11:43 PM



“ *To John and the entire Nourse family, I was so very saddened to learn of Audrey's passing and I am sending to all my sincere condolences and prayers for peace, comfort, and memories beautifully etched in your hearts.*

--Alan Stein

Alan Stein - September 09, 2021 at 04:53 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Audrey Nourse.*



September 09, 2021 at 07:55 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Audrey Nourse.*



September 07, 2021 at 09:20 PM



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September 07, 2021 at 05:48 PM



“ *Jeff Dutton purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Audrey Nourse.*



Jeff Dutton - September 07, 2021 at 02:30 PM

CH

“ Audrey was a cherished friend and colleague at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. We all benefited from her intelligence and sense of humor. We especially remember her humanity and decency. She will be missed by everyone who knew her. RIP dear friend.

Clark Hickman - September 06, 2021 at 09:26 PM

SF

“ Sisters Janice & Diane & Families purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Audrey Nourse.



Sisters Janice & Diane & Families - September 03, 2021 at 12:19 PM

YF

“ Your Five Children & Our Families purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of Audrey Nourse.



Your Five Children & Our Families - September 02, 2021 at 01:39 PM

DF

“ DeCastro, Appell and Feiner families purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Audrey Nourse.



DeCastro, Appell and Feiner families - August 31, 2021 at 02:06 PM

RS

“ Condolences to John and your families on this great loss. We miss Audrey's gracious spirit of generosity, hospitality, and care for others. May God surround you with loving arms of care in this most difficult time.



Ron Serino - August 29, 2021 at 12:09 PM



“ The best grandmother in the world, she was always generous, loved, happy and happy throughout her life.

Sheina Easton - August 24, 2021 at 04:41 PM

CM

“ We enjoyed having Rev. Nourse with us at SPUCC, Washington, MO many years ago.
Later, I enjoyed visiting with Audrey & John on Washington Island when I frequented Door County on vacations.

Carol Muench - August 24, 2021 at 04:09 PM

IH

“ John & family,
Viv and I send our thoughts and prayers giving thanks for her life and her faith that has led her into eternal life.
May God's strength, guidance and peace be with all of family and friends as we sort through our struggles in this bittersweet time.

Ivan and Viv Horn

Ivan & Vivian Horn - August 22, 2021 at 08:51 AM

DK

Remembering Audrey's vivid gifts of presence, care, and love. Thankful for our time together at Eden, and especially for the honor of co-officiating the memorial service for our dear friend Rev. Dr. Diane Windler. Sending love to John, their family, and friends.

Deborah Krause - August 23, 2021 at 04:51 PM

MM

It was a gift to have known Audrey. Her kindness and loving spirit made her a very special friend to a great many. We shared many happy hours together, including a couple of wonderful trips to the West Coast. Ben and I send our love and sympathy to John and the family.

Marilyn and Ben McDougall - September 08, 2021 at 04:31 PM