



Donna Arlene Schilling

October 19, 1932 - October 13, 2024

Donna Arlene Schilling, age 91, went into the arms of Jesus on Sunday, October 13, 2024.

Donna was the beloved wife of the late Jack B. Schilling, with whom she shared 50 wonderful years of marriage. She was the loving mother of Jackie Fonad and Ron (Michele) Schilling, and a cherished grandmother to Ronnie (Trisha) Schilling, Kennedy (Diane) Harding, and Kristina (Greg) Lindemann. Donna adored her great-grandchildren Dakota Schilling, Jacob Harding, Kayla Harding, Landon Schilling, Alyssa Schilling, and Kreed Lindemann. She was preceded in death by her parents, Earl and Esther Smith, and her children Lori Schilling and Glenn Schilling. Donna was a dear mother, mother-in-law, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt, great-aunt, cousin, and friend to many.

Donna was born on an Army post in Colorado and proudly lived the life of an "Army brat," traveling extensively throughout her childhood. Her family's military life took her to many places, including the Philippines and Guam, where she experienced different cultures and made lasting memories.

She shared a deep love with her husband Jack, and together they built a lasting legacy. Donna was a dedicated member of Hope Lutheran Church in High Ridge, MO, where she was involved in the church choir and lived her faith with devotion. Known for her caring nature, she touched the lives of all who knew her.

Donna had a passion for writing poetry, with several pieces published in

books, and she maintained lifelong friendships with the girls she graduated with from Mehlville High School. They continued to meet every week, and her class celebrated their high school reunion annually, with Donna hosting a few times herself.

A lover of elephants, Donna had a large collection that spanned jewelry, photos, and garden statues, reflecting her joyful spirit and unique interests.

Visitation will be held on Monday, October 21, 2024, from 4:00 to 8:00 pm at Chapel Hill Mortuary, 6300 Hwy 30, Cedar Hill, MO. A service will be held the following day, Tuesday, October 22, 2024, at 11:00 am Hope Lutheran Church, High Ridge, MO. Interment will follow at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society in her honor.

Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences at www.stlfuneral.com and follow details of this event at www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **21**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens
6300 SR 30
Cedar Hill, MO 63016
(636) 274-4100

Funeral Service

OCT **22**. 11:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Hope Lutheran
2308 Gravois Rd
High Ridge, MO 63049

Tribute Wall

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“ Donna was a member of Hope Lutheran Church in High Ridge. MO. We worshipped, prayed and confessed our sins seeking Jesus Grace and Forgiveness all together in unity, as a family of confirmed, baptised, believers, who shared our love with the Communion of Saints. My most personal memory with her was singing in the church choir with her for a number of years. She had a beautiful soprano voice I'll never forget. Rest in everlasting joy and peace Donna in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Randal K Tritch - October 22, 2024 at 01:41 PM

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My most fondest memory was when Donna was in my choir at Hope Lutheran. She and I would talk after choir was over. She had a beautiful soul and she is with Jesus now.

Deborah Box - October 24, 2024 at 08:00 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Donna Arlene Schilling.



October 21, 2024 at 09:33 AM

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“ From Mike and Kalani Seaver purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Donna Arlene Schilling.

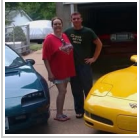


From Mike and Kalani Seaver - October 16, 2024 at 12:10 PM

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“ From Mike and Kalani Seaver planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donna Arlene Schilling.

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with Donnas family at this most difficult time. Mary Shoemaker and Family



Mary Shoemaker - October 16, 2024 at 10:32 AM

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“ Robert and Erin Insalaco planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donna Arlene Schilling.

Robert and Erin Insalaco - October 15, 2024 at 05:53 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Donna Arlene Schilling.



October 15, 2024 at 05:53 PM