



## Evelyn A. Childress

July 12, 1939 - March 26, 2026

Evelyn A. Childress of Hillsboro, Missouri, was born July 12, 1939 in St. Louis, Missouri to Henry and Viola (nee Meyer) Leissing and entered into rest Thursday, March 26, 2026 in DeSoto, Missouri at the age of 86 years.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Henry and Viola (nee Meyer) Leissing; daughter, Elizabeth “Betty” Sondag; granddaughter, Kimberly Kertz; spouse, Vance Childress; siblings, Viola, Helen, Betty, Henry, Louis and Julie.

She is survived by her children, James “Jim” (Charlotte) Kertz, Cheryl Swanson and Dennis (Paula) Kertz; sixteen grandchildren, Dawn, Jason, Chris, Andy, Nikki, Jamie, Siera, Kurt, Tim, Jim, Jeff, Brad, Joe, Faith, Makala, and Tonja; along with many great grandchildren, extended family and friends.

Evelyn will be remembered as a warm and joyful soul whose greatest love was her family. She found happiness in the simple, meaningful moments—gathering with loved ones, especially during Christmas, a time she cherished deeply and made magical for everyone around her. Whether she was playing Bingo with friends or lifting her voice in song, Evelyn brought light, laughter, and a sense of togetherness wherever she went. Her loving spirit and joyful heart will be dearly missed and forever remembered by all who knew her.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, March 31, 2026, from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00

p.m. at Chapel Hill Mortuary, Robert Brown Chapel – 103 4th St. Hillsboro, Missouri, 63050. Funeral Mass on Wednesday, April 1, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Hillsboro. Interment will immediately follow at Good Shepherd Catholic Cemetery in Hillsboro.

# Cemetery Details

## Good Shepherd Catholic Cemetery

Hillsboro, MO 63050

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 31. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary, Robert Brown Chapel – Hillsboro  
103 4th St.  
Hillsboro, MO 63050  
(636) 789-4949  
info@stlfuneral.com  
<https://www.stlfuneral.com/>

## Funeral Mass

APR 1. 10:00 AM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary, Robert Brown Chapel – Hillsboro  
103 4th St.  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Evelyn A. Childress.*



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March 31 at 11:10 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Evelyn A. Childress.

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