



Glenda Arlene Wells

April 22, 1935 - December 6, 2018

Wells, Glenda Arlene, of Crestwood, Missouri was born April 22, 1935 in Libertyville, Iowa and entered into rest, Thursday, December 6, 2018 at the age of 83 years, 7 months and 2 weeks.

She is preceded in death by her parents and one (1) brother, the late Michael (Janet) Bonnett of Stockport, Iowa.

She is survived by her husband Donald J Wells

Four (4) children, Gloria (Kent) Miller of Jackson, Missouri, Nancy (Danny) Henley of Hannibal, Missouri, Steven (Heather) Wells of Charlotte, North Carolina and Teresa (John) Scott of O'Fallon, Missouri.

Thirteen (13) grandchildren, Caleb Henley, Jacob (Whitney) Henley, Cathlin (Kevin) Hayes, Paul (Jennifer) Miller, Amanda (Matthew) Hicks, Amber (Shawn) Lowry,

Timothy Wells, Andrew Wells, Rachel Wells, Anna (Nick) Louderman, Graham Scott, Jaléna Scott, Eliana Scott.

Eleven (11) great grandchildren, Jostin Hicks, Owen Hayes, Kimberlynn Hicks, Kayli Hicks, Allyson Hayes, Deidrik Hicks, Bryson Hayes, Evelyn Henley, Aiden Lowry, Alice Henley, Jackson Lowry .

Two (2) siblings, Beverly (Lawrence) Bengé of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, and Sandra (the late Franklin) Clingan of Fairfield, Iowa

Glenda Arlene Wells, 83, left this world on December 6th to join our Lord in heaven. She was born in Libertyville, Iowa to young Evelyn and Glen Bonnett. Due to an unfortunate accident, she was never able to meet her biological father, but soon became the loving daughter of Edward Bonnett. She was raised in Stockport, Iowa, along with her two sisters, Sandra and Beverly, and her brother Michael (now deceased).

Glenda grew up in the Christian faith and used her faith to guide her in her everyday life. What a wonderful example she set for her family and all those who came near! In 1953, after a two year courtship, she married a handsome airman named Donald Wells. Their very happy union brought four children into the world. Gloria Miller, Nancy Henley, Steve Wells and Teresa Scott. They, in turn, gave her 13 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. She made every one of her family know that they were special and loved by God and by her. No matter how far flung, she found the time to listen and counsel and selflessly adore all of them. It is a true testament to her outstanding character and resilience that everyone in her presence felt valued and cherished, even as the limitations of age and infirmity took hold.

Glenda extended her kindness to her church family at Crestwood Christian Church, friends, coworkers at Fireman's Fund Insurance and strangers alike. She had a knack for knowing just what emotional needs were necessary at any moment and delivering the right comfort and support without hesitation. It was her gift from God.

In addition to being a stellar member of our family, Glenda tirelessly worked as a bookkeeper, school secretary, server, and a bond underwriting assistant.

She taught Sunday school and was very active at Crestwood Christian Church for over 40 years. Thousands have been the recipient of her faith in action.

Cemetery Details

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Kirkwood

10301 Big Bend Road
Kirkwood, MO 63122
(314) 965-8228
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Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 9. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Kirkwood
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Funeral Service

DEC 10. 10:00 AM (CT)

Crestwood Christian Church
11750 Eddie and Park Rd.
St. Louis, MO 63126

Entombment

DEC 10 (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Glenda Arlene Wells*

January 06, 2023 at 10:46 PM



“ *Aunt Glenda, I will miss you so much! Your smile and ongoing support were always there for everyone and it meant the world to me. I wanted you and the family to know how sorry I am for your loss. You mean more to me than you'll ever know... give my Dad a hug for me. Love you! Cindy Villalobos*

Cindy Wells-Villalobos - December 12, 2018 at 07:59 AM

“ Every year for Thanksgiving and for Christmas, Glenda, my grandmother, always went out of her way to open up her house to our entire extended family and prepare food for all of us. She wanted nothing more than for everyone to be together; this all happened because she fell while making the turkey. There’s no way I could possibly express how wonderful she was. She touched so many people in so many different ways throughout her life and never asked for anything in return. She’s the reason our extended family is so close; something a lot of people unfortunately can’t say. Considering all of this, I should be a wreck. Yet while I’d be lying if I told you I’m not torn up inside, more than anything else, quite honestly, I feel blessed.

You see, I shouldn’t have even met my grandma... she passed out EXACTLY 18 years, to the day, of a surgery she had when I wasn’t even a year old that should have been fatal. My parents were told she wasn’t going to live to see her grandchildren grow (a truth that my mom couldn’t accept) so she pleaded for more time. A lot of time passed; it seemed like she was a lost cause. But a miracle happened, and despite all expectations, she came to! She completely recovered, and all of her memories (sans the past 3 months) were intact! She was back to her old self, got to live happily and healthily, to see not just me grow, but also my two sisters (who came later), and even her great grandchildren from some other members of the family.

Our lives are the way they are because of her, because of this miracle. When we found out she wasn’t going to make it this past week, everyone was torn. Everyone who knew her at all at any point that could make it down, in any form, came down to see her; some even took time off of work and flew in from another state just to say their goodbyes. So many people were so kind to us throughout the week; it’s just amazing. Our aunt on our father’s side (so my grandma’s daughter’s husband’s sister, just to put that in perspective) even stopped everything as soon as she heard and came down to help us out in so many wonderful ways and to see

Glenda. She was even torn when she heard the news despite not really being directly related since she “always felt like a part of the family” whenever she was around my grandparents. That’s what I heard from just about everyone who came down this week; grandma treated them like family. That’s why, in spite of all of this, I feel so blessed. I realize I’ve been given a gift not many have: a wonderful family and wonderful friends who always have my back. None of this would’ve happened if it wasn’t for my grandmother, and these past wonderful 18 years.

So grandma: thank you for everything.

We’re going to keep getting together every year for as long as we can. We know it’s what you would’ve wanted, more than anything else in this world. I’ll think of you when we all get together this Christmas, and each year after that, and whenever I look at that wonderful stocking you made for me after recovering from your surgery 18 years ago that you almost never got to finish. I’ll think of you everytime we make brownies or have ice cream (she loved those, we were only ever allowed to have sweets like that when we were over at her house). And I’ll think of you whenever I look at my mom (who I love so much), or at myself in the mirror. After all, we wouldn’t be here in the first place without you!

I know you’re doing well up there. Thanks for everything.

Graham Scott - December 09, 2018 at 02:09 PM

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“ *I remember visiting with you and your husband with my mom Mary Stonebraker a few years back in St. Louis. You were so lovely and kind to our family and it was so good to see you and my mom together. Prayers to your family.*

Michelle Estep - December 08, 2018 at 06:08 PM

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“ I’m so sorry for your family’s loss. Mrs Wells was such an extraordinary person who made such an important impact on my life. Her faith carried us both when I needed it most. Sending lots of love and prayers to all of you. Love, peace and prayers to all that loved her, The Aguiar and Craig Family.

Linda Craig Aguiar - December 08, 2018 at 08:42 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Glenda Arlene Wells.



December 07, 2018 at 09:22 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Glenda Arlene Wells.



December 07, 2018 at 07:11 PM