



## Jean Zambruski

January 2, 1932 - July 29, 2017

Zambruski, Jean, aka “Angel Lady” of Fenton, Missouri, was born January 2, 1932, in East Saint Louis, Illinois, to Leon Joseph and Marie Catherine (nee Leach) Vermeerseh, and entered into rest, Saturday, July 29, 2017, at residence, at the age of 85 years, 6 months, and 27days.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her late husband, Edwin Anthony Zambruski, siblings, Joan Jacquot and James Vermeersch.

She is survived by:

six (6) children, Karen (Dave) Herkenhoff, David (Debbie) Zambruski, Mark Zambruski, Stephen (Sheri) Zambruski, Lisa (Tom) Paczkowski, Rita (Norm) Helgenberg,

eleven (11) grandchildren, Andy (Andrea) Herkenhoff, Tanya (Kyle) Sharos, Sean Zambruski, Chris Zambruski, Chelsie Zambruski, Callie Zambruski, Ryan Zambruski, Nicole Paczkowski, Kyle Paczkowski, Nathan Helgenberg, Alyssa Helgenberg,

five (5) great grandchildren, Camereon, Clayton, Dylan, Travis, Eli,

two (2) siblings, Janet Romero and Joyce (Jerry) Klaas,

and many other relatives and friends.

Jean "Angel Lady" loved angels. She was known for giving them out to grieving families at the funeral home where she worked. In her later years she volunteered at DeGreff Hospice where she carried on the tradition of handing out angels to the hurting. Jean loved spending time with her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. She is fondly remembered and will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved her.

Services Tuesday, August 1, 2017 from 2:30 pm until 3:30 pm at CHAPEL HILL MORTUARY, 10301 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, Missouri. Visitation Tuesday, August 1, 2017 from 3:30 pm until 8:00 pm at CHAPEL HILL MORTUARY. Interment Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery. Memorial donations can be made in honor of "Angel Lady" to Saint Vincent DePaul, 15 Forest Knoll, Fenton, MO 63026. Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at [www.stlfuneral.com](http://www.stlfuneral.com)

# Previous Events

## Service

AUG 1. 2:30 PM - 3:30 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Kirkwood  
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Kirkwood, MO 63122  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Jean Zambruski*

January 06, 2023 at 10:46 PM



“ *So very sorry for your loss.  
May time heal your sorrows,  
Jesus heal your pain,  
peace replace heartache,  
and wonderful memories remain.  
Paul & Kathy Church family*

**Kathy Church** - August 01, 2017 at 11:03 AM



“ *Pastor Russ Klenke and the SimpleChurch family. purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Jean Zambruski.*



**Pastor Russ Klenke and the SimpleChurch family.** - August 01, 2017 at 09:49 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Jean Zambruski.*



August 01, 2017 at 09:21 AM

JL

“ Jules, Denny, Donna, Debbie and Lew purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jean Zambruski.



Jules, Denny, Donna, Debbie and Lew - July 31, 2017 at 03:11 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Jean Zambruski.



July 31, 2017 at 02:00 PM

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“ From Glen & Val Myers, Rachel ,Margaret purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Jean Zambruski.



From Glen & Val Myers, Rachel ,Margaret - July 31, 2017 at 01:39 PM

MW

“ I love you Aunt Jean.



Margaret Williams - July 31, 2017 at 12:14 PM

KW

“ *kathileen wallace purchased the Father - Large Memorial Stone for the family of Jean Zambruski.*



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**kathileen wallace** - July 31, 2017 at 10:53 AM

“ If there was one tribute of Jean Zambruski, which there are many; is her talent to write poetry with such ease. I loved this woman who admired and loved all the times spent with her. She did encourage me to write and of course I took up putting pen to paper and writing poetry myself.

*Life is a Journey*

*Life is such a precious gift; each and every day we should not rush but rather we should embrace.*

*Love is the best gift that we can give to one another. Always tell those you care just how much they are loved; for you may never know when it will be your last time---do so just in case.*

*Be happy for those who have gone before you; they are in a much better place.*

*Life is a journey that should be enjoyed with every trial and tribulation that you will come upon face to face.*

*Just remember that we all come into this world and we leave our impression by all the good we have done; we eventually leave this earth, but not without a trace.*

*Life is living in the moment, not rushing to the end. We all will get to the same destination, but with different paths--enjoy the journey not the race.*

*Laura (Zambruski) Bales*

*Dedicate to the Angel lady, Jean Zambruski who has left this world but will remain in our hearts.*

DL

“ I will always remember Aunt Jean as such an encouraging person in my life. As a child, I remember loving to go to Aunt Jean's home to visit my younger cousins. When I got older, I decided to go to school for nursing. She gave me a little statue of a nurse holding a thermometer. This loving gesture reminded me of her support for my career choice. Now over 40 years later, I still have my nursing statue. About a month ago when I visited Aunt Jean, she blessed me with another statue....a nurse with angel wings. She continues to encourage me as I am reminded of her love as I look at these statues. I graduated from nursing school in 1980, and am still blessed to be able to work as a nurse today. Thank you Aunt Jean for all your loving support!! I will look forward to seeing Mom and you in heaven!!

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**Debbie Leake** - July 30, 2017 at 08:53 PM

JT

“ Jeanne (Herkenhoff) Taylor purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Jean Zambruski.



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**Jeanne (Herkenhoff) Taylor** - July 30, 2017 at 01:11 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jean Zambruski.



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July 30, 2017 at 09:43 AM

JT

“ Although I always knew Angel Jean was special - it was particularly evident to me when I came into St. Louis for Christmas one year. We were all in Karen & Dave's basement and (before the paper wad began), Jean pulled out a poem she had written to all her family and read it aloud. Apparently she did this every year - but this particular year she wrote about how they were all her "stars" and how brightly each of their lights shone. I felt particularly honored because she made/bought me one too and I hang it on the tree every year. And also - if you ever wanted to laugh 'til you cried - you played "Telestrations" with her! You just didn't want to be the person to her right!!! Love you Angel Jean! You'll shine in our hearts forever and ever!

*Jeanne (Herkenhoff) Taylor*

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**Jeanne Taylor** - July 29, 2017 at 09:02 PM