



## Lou Ellen Beeson

July 9, 1950 - December 14, 2024

Beeson, Lou Ellen of Webster Groves, Missouri, was born July 9, 1950 in Terre Haute, Indiana to Warren and Marilyn (nee Miller) Beeson and entered into rest December 14, 2024 in Webster Groves, Missouri at the age of 74 years.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Warren and Marilyn (nee Miller) Beeson and her loving husband, John “ Jack” Chapman.

She is survived by her two (2) sons, Drew (Alyssa) Chapman and Eric Chapman; her three (3) grandchildren, Rhiannon, Flynn, and Shea; her two (2) sisters, Jean Beeson and Mary Ekhouse; along with numerous other extended family and friends.

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Ellen, a loving wife, devoted mother, doting grandmother, and beloved sister. She was a radiant presence in their lives and her legacy of love and devotion will be cherished forever.

Above all, Ellen loved her family dearly. As a devoted mother, she dedicated countless hours to her two sons as an early Cub Scout den mother, fostering their growth and helping to create lasting memories. She treasured the time spent with her grandchildren, finding endless joy in their laughter and

adventures.

Ellen's warmth and kindness extended beyond her family; she had a rich sense of community that propelled her active involvement in local initiatives. A long-term resident of Webster Groves, she served as a devoted President of the school board, where her passion for education shaped the lives of countless students.

Ellen was a loyal friend and a cherished member of the community. She belonged to a close-knit group of long-term girlfriends affectionately known as the "Divas," who shared countless joyful moments and supported each other through life's challenges.

Ellen graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from DePauw University, Indiana, in 1972. This foundational education ignited a lifelong passion for understanding the human mind and helping others. She was always eager to lend a helping hand or share a kind word, making a profound impact on the lives of countless individuals.

In addition to Ellen's professional accomplishments, she developed a profound appreciation for beauty. Her keen eye for beautiful things translated into a lifelong passion for gardening, where she nurtured a vibrant oasis that became a beloved sanctuary for her family. She took great pride in her impressive collection of antiques, especially early American pieces, and her cherished quilts, each telling a story of creativity and care.

Ellen leaves behind a legacy of love, strength, and unwavering commitment to her family and community. She will be fondly remembered and deeply missed all who had the privilege of knowing her and who loved her.

Rest in peace, dear Ellen. Your love and spirit will live on in our hearts.

A celebration of her life will be held on Thursday, January 16, 2025 from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., with a 5:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. memorial tribute, at CHAPEL HILL MORTUARY, 10301 Big Bend Road, Kirkwood, Missouri 63122. A private Interment will take place at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis, Missouri on Friday, January 17, 2025.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made on behalf of Ellen Beeson to the American Cancer Society, <https://donate.cancer.org>. or Plan Parenthood, <https://www.plannedparenthood.org>.

Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at [www.stlfuneral.com](http://www.stlfuneral.com) and follow details of this event and others in the community at [www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill](http://www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill).

# Cemetery Details

## Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery

2900 Sheridan Road  
St. Louis, MO 63125

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JAN 16. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Kirkwood  
10301 Big Bend Road  
Kirkwood, MO 63122  
(314) 965-8228  
[info@stlfuneral.com](mailto:info@stlfuneral.com)  
<https://www.stlfuneral.com>

# Tribute Wall

TD

“ Tina D. purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "If I  
love could have saved you" for the family of Lou  
Ellen Beeson.



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**Tina D.** - April 29, 2025 at 12:51 PM

TD

“ Tina D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lou Ellen Beeson.

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**Tina D.** - April 29, 2025 at 12:51 PM

TD

“ When I was a little girl I wanted to grow up to be her. My cousin.  
Beautiful and smart. Her smile would light up any room.

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**Tina Dodds** - April 29, 2025 at 12:25 PM

YF

“ Your Dana King Design Build Family purchased  
the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Lou  
Ellen Beeson.



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**Your Dana King Design Build Family** - January 15, 2025 at  
11:31 AM

YF

“ Your Dana King Design Build Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lou Ellen Beeson.

Your Dana King Design Build Family - January 15, 2025 at 11:31 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lou Ellen Beeson.



January 15, 2025 at 10:40 AM



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

January 15, 2025 at 10:40 AM

TB

“ The team at Austin Custom Brass purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Lou Ellen Beeson.



The team at Austin Custom Brass - January 14, 2025 at 11:11 AM

TB

“ The team at Austin Custom Brass planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lou Ellen Beeson.

The team at Austin Custom Brass - January 14, 2025 at 11:11 AM

DR

“ It is with great sadness that we learned of Ellen's passing. She was such a good friend and so incredibly helpful in the community. She listened, she cared, and she worked tirelessly to find solutions. Our condolences to Drew and Eric and all the family.

David and Jeanne Robertson - January 11, 2025 at 12:52 PM

MK

“ Ellen was a truly remarkable woman with endless patience and the ability to stay calm amidst the storm. We met when Drew and our son, David, were at Clark Elementary School and Ellen asked me to join her as Cub Scout Leader. What a wonderful teacher and mentor she was!


A true servant and encourager, she was always positive and approached challenges with tact and gentle people skills. She gave 110% to any task she undertook and served the community well, along with her beloved husband, Jack. Our little corner of the world is a better place because Ellen and Jack were here.

Michelle Kraft - January 11, 2025 at 12:38 PM

SH

“ Ellen was a long time client and friend of mine. We shared many conversations as we raised our children and beyond. What a gem of a person, I am sorry that she will no longer be with us. My condolences to her sons and family. Sherry Hedden

Sherry Hedden - January 10, 2025 at 08:35 AM

 Alyssa  
Chapman

“ 4 files added to the album Mom



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**Alyssa Chapman** - December 27, 2024 at 04:33 PM

NC

*Alyssa, I love all these photos. Thank you.*

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**Nancy Chapman** - December 27, 2024 at 11:14 PM