



## Ramona L. Thompson

April 7, 1929 - June 16, 2025

Ramona L. Thompson, passed away Monday, June 16, 2025, at the age of 96. Beloved daughter of the late Marie and Adolph Schmidt; loving mother of Martha (Chuck) Ludwig, David (Mary) Thompson, Melinda (Tom) Donaldson and Michael (Karen) Thompson; cherished grandmother of Kelly (David) DeJarnett, Billy (Kim) Thompson, Rebekah (Jeremy) Howard, Hannah Donaldson, and Jake Donaldson; devoted great grandmother of Maddy DeJarnett, Laura DeJarnett, Will Thompson, Sam Thompson, Evelyn Howard and Ethan Howard; and dear sister of the late Priscilla Gerhauser and the late Dwight Schmidt. Ramona was also survived by her half-brother, Jonathan Horner and preceded in death by her half-siblings, David, Martha, and Paul.

Ramona was born on April 07, 1929 in Okawville, IL. Growing up during the Great Depression had a significant impact on the woman she became. Ramona was a woman of great determination and strong character. She was fiercely independent, dependable, strong-willed, steadfast and a woman of great faith.

After her children went to college, Ramona earned her GED. She made a living as a seamstress doing clothing alterations, custom car upholstery and furniture upholstery. She was frugal, but always generous with those in need. Ramona served her church as a Sunday school teacher for over 65 years. She also spent many years as a head cook at Camp Ne-o-Tez, and she was

89 years old the last year she served.

She loved traveling, reading, gardening, thrift store shopping and crossword puzzles, but most of all she loved her family.

Ramona was a wonderful sister, mother, grandmother and great grandmother.

Ramona had a zest for life, and she had an enduring sense of humor that blessed us until the end. She could light up a room with her smile and laughter, and she always made you feel right at home. She was dearly loved and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Memorial contributions may be made to Camp Ne-o-Tez. (<https://neotez.org/donate/>)

Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences 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

## Bellerive Gardens

740 N. Mason Road  
Creve Coeur, MO 63141

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 27. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Maryland Heights Church of Christ  
107 Midland Ave.  
Maryland Heights, MO 63043  
<https://www.mhcoc.org/>

## Funeral Ceremony

JUN 27. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Maryland Heights Church of Christ  
107 Midland Ave.  
Maryland Heights, MO 63043  
<https://www.mhcoc.org/>

## Graveside Service

JUN 27. 1:30 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

JU

“ Jonathan Horner USN planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ramona L. Thompson.

Jonathan Horner USN - June 25, 2025 at 04:38 PM

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“ Jonathan Horner USN purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Ramona L. Thompson.



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TS

“ Tim and Renee Spaulding purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Ramona L. Thompson.



Tim and Renee Spaulding - June 25, 2025 at 12:34 PM

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JW

“ Dear Melinda and Family,  
I was so sorry to hear about your mom’s passing. Please know I’m holding you and your family close in my heart during this difficult time.

Ramona was truly one of a kind—a strong, resilient woman with a deep faith and an incredible ability to keep moving forward, no matter what life brought her way. I’ve always admired her for that. She lived with a quiet strength and a deep love for her family that was evident in everything she did.

One memory that has stayed with me all these years is when I came to visit you in St. Louis. I was in my 20s and big into running at the time—and to my surprise, your mom had taken up running too, in her 50s! I was so impressed—not just by her determination, but by how she inspired you (Mel) to run with her. That image of the two of you running together has stuck with me as such a powerful example of the influence a mother can have.

And of course, I’ll never forget her dry, witty sense of humor.

Ramona had a way of delivering the most no-nonsense, “spot on” remarks that would just make me laugh. Her humor, her strength, her example—those are the things that made her unforgettable. She was truly a role model for living with resilience and purpose.

Sending you my love and heartfelt sympathy. May her memory always bring you strength and peace.

With love,

Joann

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Joann Logomasini Williams - June 21, 2025 at 10:31 AM

MB

“ *A remarkable lady to everyone that knew Ramona. Graceful and charming, she shared her zest for life and love of family and God. Ramona was my pen pal for the last few years and the distance between us never seemed to matter.*

*God must have a special place for people like Ramona. I will think of her and smile and be grateful for having shared some of her life.*

*Love, Monie*

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**Monie Burnley** - June 19, 2025 at 09:18 PM