



## Cynthia Jean Marion

July 5, 1947 - August 8, 2016

Cynthia Jean Marion, daughter of the late Murrell D. McClanahan and Lillian M. (Thomas) McClanahan, was born July 5, 1947 in Bonne Terre, Missouri. Cynthia grew up in the St. Louis, Missouri area and graduated from high school.

On February 17, 1968, Cynthia was united in marriage to Michael Gail Marion in Flat River, Missouri. They shared over 48 years of marriage together and three children: Tracey, Marty and Brook.

Cynthia had various jobs; from making wallets to being a telephone operator. But her most important job and the one she is most known for was being the best mother and wife she could be. Most of all, she was a strong, loving, and supportive military wife.

When Cynthia was younger, her favorite pastime was being a majorette. She had many pictures of her and her baton. Other times, she was crafty and loved relaxing by crocheting and she was very poetic.

Cynthia was very civic minded and served as a Girl Scout and Boy Scout leader and did other volunteer jobs for the military.

Cynthia passed away Monday, August 8, 2016 in the Mercy Hospital of

Springfield, Missouri having attained the age of sixty-nine years, one month and three days. She will be sadly missed, but fondly remembered by all those that knew and loved her.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her husband: Michael Marion of Waynesville, MO; one daughter: Tracey Zielinski (Thomas) of Waynesville, MO; two sons: Marty Marion (Charise) of Waynesville, MO and Brook Marion (Juana) of Granite City, IL; nine grandchildren; five great grandchildren and two on the way; other relatives and friends.

In addition to her parents, Cynthia was preceded in death by one brother, Mark McClanahan.

Services were held at 1:00 p.m. Friday, August 12, 2016 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert with Bishop James Powell officiating. The songs "How Great Thou Art", "Amazing Grace", "Wind Beneath My Wings" and "From A Distance" were played. Serving as escorts were Marty Marion, Brook Marion, Thomas Zielinski, Andrew Zielinski, Zakk Marion, Barry Acklin, Sammy Scott and Austin Zielinski.

Burial followed in the Missouri Veterans Cemetery of Waynesville, Missouri.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Cynthia Marion and may be left at the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## Missouri Veterans Cemetery - Fort Leonard Wood

25350 Hwy H  
Waynesville, MO 65583

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 12. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert  
202 Historic 66 W.  
Waynesville, MO 65583  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Memorial Chapels and Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Cynthia Jean Marion*



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**Memorial Chapels and Crematory** - August 15, 2016 at 09:23 AM



“ *Cynthia Jean Marion*

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January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *Lee Thomas lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Jean Marion*



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**Lee Thomas** - December 24, 2016 at 12:54 AM

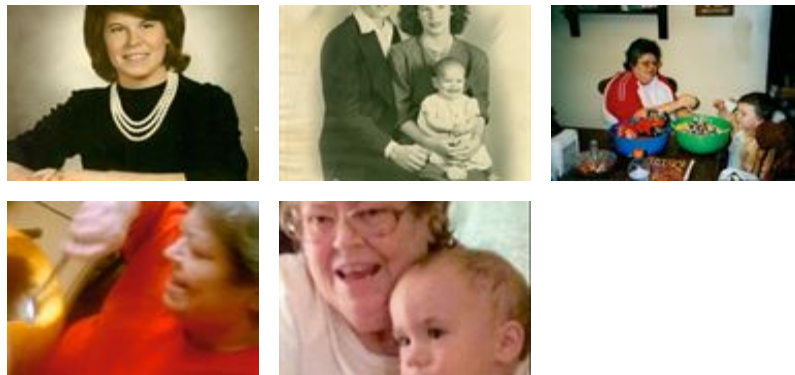


“ When we were at O'Fallon Tech HS we spent most of our days together. Mornings and after school at majorette practice & most evening on the phone for hours. We were best friends. Cindy & Mike were married first and Ray & I would visit almost every weekend those first years in St. Louis. We were separated by the military & always planned to get together again. But time and our families needs seemed to always come first. I will always think of my beautiful friend with a smile - she always had a smile! Love to all of you - yes she did love her family above everything else! Gail Schafluetzel

Gail Schafluetzel - September 26, 2016 at 08:26 PM



“ 50 files added to the album Life Tributes



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - August 11, 2016 at 03:22 PM

Zakk Marion

“ Zakk Marion lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Jean Marion



Zakk Marion - August 10, 2016 at 06:47 PM

Zakk  
Marion

“ *Very much missed I love you grandma !! Also  
Thank u for all 50 sandwiches u let me eat  
each visit lol fly high*



Zakk Marion - August 10, 2016 at 06:45 PM

TZ

“ *I love you mom and miss you very much.*



Tracey Zielinski - August 10, 2016 at 06:44 PM



“ *Jahir Marin lit a candle in memory of Cynthia  
Jean Marion*



Jahir Marin - August 10, 2016 at 06:37 PM

BM

“ *Brook again. Mom's kids, grandkids and great grandkids are:  
Tracey, Marty, Brook, Gayle, Andrew, Cindy, Zakk, Madison, Ashton,  
Mikey, Gerri, Seth, Roxy, Austin, Alex, and Anthony. She loved  
every one as much as the other. Tom, Charise, Juana, Barry,  
Wendy and Jeremy you are her kids too. She loved you no less*

Brook Marion - August 10, 2016 at 05:22 PM

MD

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Mary Dixon - August 10, 2016 at 05:13 PM

BM

“ My name is Brook and I am our mom's youngest. She was a beautiful person with so much love to give. Last night I was looking through photos for anything with her. I only found a handful but what I did find was picture after picture of the kids in our family. lots of em. She loved her whole legacy with all her heart. When a little one whined she always knew exactly what to do. She even whined back in their little faces sometimes freakin em out a bit. She loved her family Dearly. I miss you Mom I love You

Brook Marion - August 10, 2016 at 04:48 PM

JB

“ We are so very sorry for you loss. Please know that your family are in our prayers!  
Pat and Joy Bedford



Joy Bedford - August 10, 2016 at 04:28 PM

MD

“ Hello it is Mary Dixon ---Cindy was a breathe of fresh air. The time I met her so short but wonderful. We prayed together and talked about Jesus so sorry for her departure but so glad she is with Jesus ---soon we too shall see her again. She will be missed by her family and grand children all who knew her.



Mary Dixon - August 10, 2016 at 03:50 PM

TZ

“ I love and miss my mom very much. She was a beautiful woman with a lot of passion for my father, family and life overall. She is dearly missed.



Tracey Zielinski - August 10, 2016 at 12:38 PM

LC

“ With love from Life Care Center Your family in our prayers



Life Care - August 09, 2016 at 09:10 AM

 Lee Thomas

I heard the news. Cindy was a great person. Her and Mark both left us too soon.

Lee Thomas - December 22, 2016 at 01:52 PM