



Jean M Sumpter

January 20, 1926 - December 18, 2012

On December 18, 2012, at Sunset Village of the Ozarks, Jean Marcene Sumpter, 86, was preparing to meet the Lord. At her side was her husband of 57 years, Bill J. Sumpter, her daughters Stephanie (Tim) Clouse and Dawn (Carl) Shimer, as well as Pastor Anderegg of Faith Lutheran Church. By the grace of God, just the day before, she was able to hear the voices of her other children by phone: Robert (Carolyn) Keeley, Nancy (George) Gebhardt, Kathleen (David) Mendias, and JoAnn (Mark) Tindall. Pastor Anderegg administered the Rite of Commendation of the Dying with Bible scriptures from St. John, Romans, and Psalm 23; concluding with Jean's favorite hymn "The Old Rugged Cross". A family member was given a vision of Jean as a little child running through a gate with her arms outstretched to lots of people. We believe Jesus was greeting her as she saw her parents, grandparents, her sister Lois, Aunt Leah, her son Jim Keeley and his son Jimmy.

Our hearts are broken because we miss her very much; that's why God gave us roses, so we could have memories in December. We think of all the things she loved: her home on Gospel Ridge Road, all animals especially her cats, sewing, canning, gardening – digging in the dirt, as she would say! She gave so much of herself to others, namely her grandsons that grew up near her: Jesse and Mathew Shimer, Bryan Tucker and Billy "Gunt" Rose. She had four other grandchildren that lived afar and nine great grandchildren. Although she did not see them often or even know some of them, they were all precious in

her heart. Jean also had one brother, Gary (Carol) Lenhardt, who still lives in their childhood hometown of Bloomington, Illinois.

In the spring of 2013, Jean will be honored at a family reunion in the Waynesville-St. Robert area, her home for nearly 60 years. At that time, an internment service will be held at the Missouri State Veterans Cemetery at Fort Leonard Wood.

Tribute Wall



“ *Jean M Sumpter*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *Lynda Powers Dillin lit a candle in memory of Jean M Sumpter*



Lynda Powers Dillin - January 13, 2013 at 01:37 PM



My deepest sympathy to the Sumpter family. My prayers and thoughts are with you.

Lynda Powers Dillin - January 13, 2013 at 01:40 PM



Lynda, So good to hear from you. Thank you for your kind words, Kathleen.

Kathleen Mendias - January 22, 2013 at 07:15 PM



“ *The fiery promises and icy betrayals of life, form, our misshapen souls that coil upon the precipices of eternity, may the flight of "her" sould be beautiful.*



Nancy - January 11, 2013 at 11:45 AM

KM

“ 0 file added to the tribute wall

Kathleen Mendias - December 28, 2012 at 01:44 PM

KM

I apologize for the content of video.....really just wanted the music!

Kathleen Mendias - December 29, 2012 at 04:00 PM

MV

“ Mr. & Mrs. Danny De Vido lit a candle in memory of Jean M Sumpter



Mr. & Mrs. Danny De Vido - December 23, 2012 at 01:17 AM

JT

“ JoAnn And Marky Tindall lit a candle in memory of Jean M Sumpter



JoAnn and Marky Tindall - December 21, 2012 at 03:13 AM

LV

“ A very witty lady, I have known practically all my life. I really got to know and love her the years I went to see her in her home. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. She kind of became like a second Mother to me too. I'm sure she is enjoying all the flowers," In The Garden" now, "Where the Roses never Fade"!

Linda Veasman - December 19, 2012 at 07:50 PM

GL

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Gary Lenhardt - December 19, 2012 at 10:29 AM

GL

“ Gary Lenhardt purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Jean M Sumpter.



Gary Lenhardt - December 19, 2012 at 10:03 AM

DB

“ So sorry to hear of your mother's passing. I will never forget her making all those candles when I was little. I used to love going to your house to see what new creations she had made.



Thoughts and prayers to your family.

Deb Basford

Debbie Basford - December 19, 2012 at 07:15 AM

MS

“ *Marlin Stevens lit a candle in memory of Jean M Sumpter*



Marlin Stevens - December 19, 2012 at 07:00 AM