



## Lucille Kelley

September 29, 1945 - May 7, 2017

Ruth Lucille Kelley, daughter of the late Sherman Woodrow and Mary Elen (Marcum) Lowery, was born September 29, 1945 in Grovespring, Missouri. She went home to be with her Lord Sunday, May 7, 2017 having attained the age of 71 years.

As a young girl, Lucille (as she was known by her family and friends) attended school in Lebanon, Missouri. She met the love of her life in a young man by the name of Kenneth "Dale" Kelley, Jr. After Dale joined the U.S. Navy they were united in marriage on April 1, 1961. They were relocated to Key West, Florida. After Dale was honorably discharged from the Navy in 1963, Lucille and their family moved back to Waynesville.

Lucille and Dale were blessed with two children: Jack and Tammy. Lucille, Dale and the children remained in the Waynesville area. After fifty years of marriage, Dale passed away on August 8, 2011.

Lucille was a devoted homemaker, loyal wife and loved caring for her family. She was known for her quick-witted comebacks and sense of humor. She also loved children and served the community as a child care provider for 32 years to many families in the community.

In her spare time, Lucille loved to watch birds, especially hummingbirds and

cardinals. She always maintained a well-kept yard and enjoyed the natural beauty of the Ozarks. Most importantly, she had a strong faith and loved her family deeply. She will be sadly missed, but fondly remembered by all those that knew and loved her.

She leaves to cherish her memory, her son: Jack D. Kelley (Michelle) of Richland, MO; daughter: Tammy Rice (Rob) of Waynesville, MO; two grandchildren: Ryan Kelley of Waynesville, MO and Megan Franklin (Caleb) of Havelock, NC; three grandchildren: Ryder Kelley, and Minnie and Addie Franklin; one sister: Annabelle Lewis of Lebanon, MO; numerous nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends.

Even though she is gone from our sight, she will live on in our hearts forever.

Services were held at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 10, 2017 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert with Rev. Gary Sheets officiating. Charlie Kelley, brother-in-law to Lucille, recalled his wonderful memories of her and also led the congregation in prayer. The songs "Peace in the Valley" by Elvis Presley and "I Can Only Imagine" by Mercy Me were played. Serving as escorts were Eugene Berry, Jake Hale, Calab Franklin, Jace Hale, John Sandusky and John Berry. Serving as honorary escorts were Steve Kelsey, Bob Woody and Andy Smith. Burial followed in the Missouri Veteran's Cemetery of Waynesville.

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Lucille Kelley 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

**MAY 10.** 11:30 AM - 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 Lucille Kelley*



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**Memorial Chapels and Crematory** - May 16, 2017 at 09:00 AM



“ *Lucille Kelley*

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January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss. Very hard to lose your Mother. May God comfort all of you at this time. Prayers for the family.  
Jerry and Carol Gideon*

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**Carol** - May 10, 2017 at 11:06 AM



“ 56 files added to the album LifeTributes



Memorial Chapels and Crematory - May 10, 2017 at 10:42 AM

RB

“ Robert And Lynn Bondoni lit a candle in memory of Lucille Kelley



Robert and Lynn Bondoni - May 09, 2017 at 01:17 PM

PS

“ So sorry for your loss, praying for you all during this very difficult time



Pam Seda - May 09, 2017 at 11:24 AM

VA

“ *What a gentle lady she was. Her smile, her laugh lit up every space she entered. I am truly blessed to have a moment with Momma Kelley. We love you All and remember you in this time of need*



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**Valerie Avington** - May 08, 2017 at 07:29 PM

SS

“ *Sheila Smith lit a candle in memory of Lucille Kelley*



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**Sheila Smith** - May 08, 2017 at 06:06 PM