



Mary Ellen Winnie

July 6, 1939 - May 10, 2014

Mary Ellen Winnie, daughter of the late Reed Meridith and Zola (Hibbden) Braden, was born July 6, 1939 in Maries County, Missouri. As a young girl, Mary grew up on the family farm in Maries County and then moved to Kansas City.

While in Kansas City, Mary met Rance David Winnie at the local drive-in theatre. They were married on December 10, 1955. They shared many years together and were blessed with six children: Karen, Sherri, David, Michael, Alan and Danna.

Mary and the family moved to Oregon and Rance entered the United States Army. They immediately became an Army family moving from location to location. In 1982, Rance retired from the United States Army and he and Mary decided to retire in the Plato area.

Mary attended culinary school for a year and became a chef. She cooked at several locations over the years including on Post, Officer's Clubs and Mess Halls wherever the family was stationed at the time.

In her spare time, Mary enjoyed being outdoors working in her garden or watching the birds. She loved animals, quilting, reading and painting. Most importantly, she treasured her family and cherished every moment they were

able to spend together.

Mary passed away Saturday evening, May 10, 2014, in her home near Plato, Missouri after a long and courageous battle with cancer. She had attained the age of 74 years, 10 months and 4 days.

Mary leaves to cherish her memory, her six children, Karen Winnie, Sherri Winnie, David Winnie, Michael Winnie, and his wife, Denice, and Alan Winnie, all of Plato, MO, and Danna Hammock and her husband, Terry, of St. Robert, MO; 7 Grandchildren: Mari, Jonathan, Justin, Nicholas, Samuel, Dustin, and Jovonna; 7 Great-Grandchildren: Adain, Sierra, Rance, Mayala, Ellora, Jezeria, and Brady; 2 Brothers, Bill Braden of Kansas City, MO and Danny Braden of Liberty, MO; and a number of nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Mary was preceded in death by her husband.

A memorial gathering was held from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Thursday, May 15, 2014 in the Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville / St. Robert.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 15. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert
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Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Ellen Winnie*

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“ *Mary and Rance were married when I was 5 years old, so I didn't really know either one of them until later in life. Mary was always nice and kind and I loved to see her laugh. She told me how to go out and find the 'right' mushrooms in the woods. I don't think I ever told her how much I appreciated her opening her home to me when I was going through basic training. It meant a lot to be close to family. She even let a lowly PFC (my future husband) come to Thanksgiving dinner. I know she will be missed. Love and hugs to you all. God bless.*

Laura Hare - May 16, 2014 at 12:06 AM



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