



Mrs. Ruth Louise Gauldin

October 31, 1928 - November 1, 2021

Ruth Louise (Hanks) Gauldin, a lifelong resident of Willow Springs, passed away Monday, November 1, 2021 while at Willow Care Nursing Home. She was born October 31, 1928 to Clyde and Ruby Hanks in Howell County. She was 93 years old.

Louise married Claude Leroy (Butch) Gauldin on April 21, 1953 in West Plains, MO and they enjoyed 66 years together. They loved and raised 5 children: Rhonda Gately and her husband, Dean of Edgar Springs, MO; Leroy Gauldin and his wife, Debbie of Willow Springs; Vicki Kanne of Marionville, MO; Nita Ray of Rolla, MO; and Gwen Parker of Edgar Springs. She also loved her 9 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, 5 great-great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. She is further survived by her sister, Mildred Simkins of Springfield, MO.

Louise was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her sister, Mary Poppitz; two brothers: Neil Hanks and Rex Hanks; son-in-law, Kenneth Parker; sister-in-law, Helen Hanks; 3 nephews and 1 niece.

She was very thoughtful, loving, and had a heart full of sweetness for everyone. She had many interests in life. She was an accomplished seamstress who made all the clothing for her children and many for her grandchildren as well. She enjoyed bowling, golfing, playing softball,

gardening, and canning. She also loved playing cards, especially "Pitch." She was also well-known for selling Avon for over 35 years, making many friends, and making all the women in the area feel pretty. Her children were blessed with a stay-at-home mom who was always there for them and for which they are still grateful. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Willow Springs and loved teaching Sunday School to children. She felt it was very important for her children as well as those she taught to know about Jesus. She will be dearly missed by her family, her friends, and all who knew her.

In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations in her memory to the Benevolence Fund at First Baptist Church, which may be left at the church or the funeral home.

A funeral service for Louise Gauldin will be held on Friday, November 5, 2021 at the First Baptist Church at 1:00 P.M. with Pastor Joel Hinds officiating. Interment will follow at the Willow Springs City Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Willow Funeral Home, LLC. Online condolences may be left at www.willowspringsfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Willow Springs City Cemetery

State Rte DD
Willow Springs, MO 65793

Previous Events

Service

NOV 5. 1:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church
402 N Harris Street
Willow Springs, MO 65793
(417) 469-3295
<http://firstbaptistws.org>

Tribute Wall



“ *Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ruth Louise Gauldin.*



November 04, 2021 at 01:49 PM



“ *Toi Stine lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ruth Louise Gauldin*



Toi Stine - November 04, 2021 at 09:27 AM



“ *My deepest condolences to the Gauldin family. My mother Virginia Lee Rothgeb was good friends with Mrs. Gauldin. They became friends when my mom lived in Willow Springs. Upon leaving Willow, my mom and Mrs. Gauldin maintained their friendship through phone calls and cards. Each time they would visit mom was able to catch up with all the news about the Gauldin kids and Mrs. Gauldin would catch up about all the Rothgeb kids. They would talk on the phone for a good hour and be laughing. My mom passed away a little over 2 weeks ago at the age of 93. Heaven has two more angels that are able to visit on a daily basis. Once again, so sorry for your loss.*

Rachel Rothgeb Johnson - November 03, 2021 at 12:44 PM

DC

“ *This was one fine lady. Condolences to the family. Heaven is a little better place with her arrival.*

Don Coatney - November 03, 2021 at 12:03 PM



“ *Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ruth Louise Gauldin.*



November 03, 2021 at 11:06 AM



“ *Fields of Europe for Spring was purchased for the family of Mrs. Ruth Louise Gauldin.*



November 03, 2021 at 09:45 AM

MC

“ *May Cunningham lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ruth Louise Gauldin*



May Cunningham - November 02, 2021 at 09:26 PM