



Audrey Kathleen (Waite) Stepp

July 17, 2020

Audrey Kathleen (Waite) Stepp, 103, passed away peacefully on July 17, 2020, at McKendree Village Retirement Community with her son Terry and daughter in law Melanie by her side. Audrey was born September 8, 1916 daughter of Frank and Maude Waite in Grandview Ill. Audrey graduated Valedictorian from Redmond High School in 1934. On April 9, 1939, she married Charles (Charlie) Stepp the man she would share life with for 45 years until his death. In 1941 Charlie joined the Army during WWII. After Charlie returned from war the couple lived in Wichita KS, Louisburg area, and on to KCKS in 1955. Audrey worked at Thompson Hayward Chemical Company KCKS as a bookkeeper and retired from Miller Jewelry KCMO in 1979. After retiring the couple moved to the Lake of the Ozarks MO. Audrey loved to play cards and socialize with her friends in Old Pine Cove. She loved to travel with family and friends and visited many sites in the USA, a Caribbean cruise, and Puerto Rico. Audrey enjoyed reading, working crossword puzzles, and word search puzzles. Audrey had a quick wit and dry sense of humor which brought a smile and laughter to her family and friends. She attended church at the McKendree Village Chapel Hermitage TN. Audrey was a beloved daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother. Audrey is preceded in death by her parents Frank and Maude Waite, husband Charles B Stepp, son Larry Wayne Stepp Sr, grandson Charles T Stepp Jr, sisters Eula Allen, Helen Helvie, Mildred Hornbrook, brother William (Wayne) Waite. She is survived by her son Charles (Terry) Stepp, wife Melanie, two grandsons, Larry W Stepp, wife Jill, Terry Nicholas Stepp, wife Brittany, granddaughter Sherri Sue Ramey, husband Jason (JR) two great-grandsons Larry W Stepp III (Trey), and Bryce Ramey, two great-granddaughters Elliana Ramey, Mariah Stepp. Due to COVID 19 restrictions, a family graveside service will be held on August 8, 2020, at the Maple Hill Cemetery KCKS. A Celebration of Life will be held on September 7th in the Old Pine Cove area. Notification will be sent out via Facebook.

Comments



“ Audrey was a wonderful friend and mentor, she loved her family and friends without end. She had a very sharp mind I went to Justine’s baby shower we were playing shower games, Brenda, Flo, and I were all trying to answer the questions as a team but Audrey still beat us and she was working alone. One time I went to wash, curl, and fix Audrey’s hair I remember she told me that there were a lot of couples where people liked one of them better but she said Bert everyone likes you and Ed equally, she was such a kind person. I know she loved to dance I remember one of her birthdays she had male dancers, she was sitting in the chair as they were dancing around her every time they got close enough she spanked them. Audrey always had a smile, she will be missed by many! Thoughts and Prayers are with you all. Love,
Bert Clark

Bert Clark - July 30, 2020 at 07:19 PM



“ My father Wayne Waite and Audrey Stepp were brother and sister. My name is William (Bill) Waite, we lived in Denver, CO. Dad would always vacation in Illinois at the Waite farm. It was always a joyous time going to see Grandma and Grandpa Waite! Boy did I love my family! Once in a while Aunt Audrey and family would also be there at the same time. All the cousins would have so much fun on the farm, doing many things. Sometimes on the way to Illinois we would stop by Aunt Audrey's home in Kansas City, KS. That was always an extra treat! Uncle Charlie had a race car and go carts we could run around in the back yard! Only seeing Aunt Audrey a few times in her life meant I didn't know her very well, However the thing I remember best was her good heart and loving nature and sense of humor! One time all the family was together and getting ready to go somewhere, she came out of the bedroom still fixing her hair and said "Oh what lovely hair, to bad I'm not a dog I could have hair all over my body!" I am sorry to see her go...
Rest in Peace Aunt Audrey
Love, Billy Gene

Bonnie Waite - July 30, 2020 at 06:32 PM



“ Thank you mom for always being there for me, and the family. Never criticized my mistakes, but offered love and comfort. While Larry and I were growing up you gave the neighborhood kids a safe place to play. You traveled all over the Midwest watching old #28 race on dirt tracks. Mud balls and dust eaten nightly. I am so glad you had several years at the lake enjoying life with your friends playing card, boating, and socializing at the local hang outs. The last few years of your life was tough, but you set the example of braving the negatives of declining health, and always looking at the bright side of life. So glad we had so much time together. I'll miss you, but am happy you are at peace now. Say hello to my family and friends up there.
Love ya,
Terry

Terry Stepp - July 30, 2020 at 12:29 PM