



Edna M. Pilger

September 20, 1931 - January 31, 2021

Edna M. Pilger, 89, of Eureka, MO, formerly of Perryville, MO, died Sunday, January 31, 2021 at her residence.

She was born September 20, 1931 in Perry County, MO to Wesley W. and Merle M. (Zahner) Black.

She first married Charles L. Smith on May 24, 1952. He preceded her in death on June 24, 1978. She then married Floyd Pilger on July 5, 1980. He preceded her in death February 25, 1993.

Edna was a devoted wife, loving mother, and an exceptional homemaker. She enjoyed gardening, canning vegetables, and cooking for her family. She was happiest when she was spending time with her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

She was an active member of Northside Baptist Church in Florissant, Missouri where she served in the nursery and taught Sunday School for preschoolers. After moving to Perryville, Missouri she continued her love of serving the church through teaching Sunday School at Bethlehem Baptist in Crosstown, MO.

Survivors include one son and two daughters, Peggy (Charles) Lindner of Florissant, MO, Johnny L. Smith of DeSoto, MO; Patricia S. Mertens of Eureka, MO; foster son, Daniel L. (Kathy) Fitzgerald of St. Louis, MO, step-

son, Gary (Jane) Pilger of Mexico, MO; step-daughter, Starlet Ritter of Auxvasse, MO; one brother, Ronald (Betty) Black of Perryville, MO; seven grandchildren, Angela Lindner, David Lindner, Jarrett (Samantha) Smith, Jordan Smith, Belinda (Shane) Doolin, Jesse (Andrea) Mertens and Jenna (Derick) Laubert, five great grandchildren, Damian Cannady-Lindner, Dominic Cannady-Lindner, Addison Smith, Jed Doolin and Maxwell Laubert, two foster grandchildren, Joshua and Aaron Fitzgerald and four step grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, both husbands and one brother Gerald Black.

She was a kind, caring, and generous person, a dear aunt, great aunt, cousin and friend to all. She will be greatly missed.

Visitation will be from 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm on Friday, February 5, 2021 and on Saturday from 6:30 am - 8:00 am at Ford and Young Funeral Home in Perryville.

Funeral Service will be at 10:00 am Saturday, February 6, 2021 at Bethlehem Baptist Church in Crosstown with Rev. Steve Francis officiating.

Burial will be at York Chapel Cemetery in Longtown.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Louis Children's Hospital.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandyoungfuneralhome.com.

Ford and Young Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

York Chapel Cemetery

Longtown, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 5. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Ford and Young Funeral Home
110 S. West St.
Perryville, MO 63775

Funeral Service

FEB 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

Bethlehem Baptist Church
160 PCR 350
Perryville, MO 63775

Tribute Wall



“ *Edna M. Pilger*

October 20, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ *Edna M. Pilger*

October 20, 2023 at 01:44 AM



“ *I am sorry to hear that my Great Aunt Edna passed away. I remember a visit from her, Uncle Floyd, and my Grandma (Lucille Riney - Floyds Sister), stopped at my house in WaKeeney KS on they way back from traveling out west. That had to be around 1989 or 1990 and I remember it well because it was a big surprise, I had no idea they were even traveling. I also have good memories of visiting her a few times at her place north of Perryville.*

Steve Riney

Stephen Ray Riney - February 17, 2021 at 04:13 PM



“ *Dan and Kathy Fitzgerald purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Edna M. Pilger.*



Dan and Kathy Fitzgerald - February 04, 2021 at 05:48 PM

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“ *With love, Deb Lindner and Mike Leahy purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Edna M. Pilger.*



With love, Deb Lindner and Mike Leahy - February 04, 2021 at 05:21 PM

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“ *The ACES Team purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Edna M. Pilger.*



The ACES Team - February 03, 2021 at 11:50 AM