



Elizabeth G. Speck

November 17, 1921 - February 11, 2017

Elizabeth "Beth" G. Speck, 95, of Perryville, died February 11, 2017 at Perry County Memorial Hospital in Perryville, MO.

She was born November 17, 1921 in Beaumont, TX, daughter of Samuel Thompson Harrison and Anne Elizabeth (Ward) Newnam.

She had been a school teacher at St. Anns Elementary School in Houston, TX. She was a member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church, Ladies Sodality, Perry County Historical Society, and college graduate of Texas Western University, Denton, TX.

Survivors include one son, Timothy Speck of Huntsville, TX; one sister, Patricia (Earl) Moyer of Wheatridge, CO; one brother-in-law, William Phillips Sr. of Perryville; one grandson, Christopher Speck of Huntsville, TX and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one sister, Anne Phillips.

Visitation will be held at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church on Thursday, February 16 from 8:30 am until time of Memorial Mass at 10:00 am with Rev. John Clark C.M. officiating. Burial in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers memorials are preferred to Ladies Sodality, St. Vincent Centennial Endowment Fund or Perry County Historical Society.

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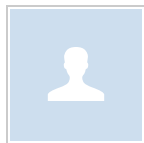
“ *Mrs Speck was my favorite English teacher. I remember when she banged her bell on the side of her desk to get the class's attention. Funny! Great lady. The best!*

John P. - December 19, 2025 at 03:52 PM



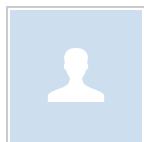
“ *Elizabeth G. Speck*

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“ *Tim, You have my deepest sympathies in the passing of your mother and my third grade teacher. May you be given the peace and strength to bear her loss. Deepest sympathies, John ArmelinEslöv Sweden*

October 08, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *she was my third grade teacher at St. Annes. she had the most accurate toss to hit someone with an eraser. she never missed.i was wondering a couple of years ago how she was doing. I would see her at Mass at St. Annes many years ago. she was the best teacher and she taught many of my siblings*

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“Beth was a very special person to our family. We will cherish all of the special memories we have of her through the years. Thank You for being such a sweet friend. RIP Beth

Angie Hoeckele - February 16, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“Mrs. Speck was my third grade teacher at St. Anne in 1967-68. She also had several of my siblings in her class over the years, and was my science teacher in fifth grade. I remember her as a strong but fun teacher who has a fascination with science. I first learned about computers in her class, and we watched every space launch that took place during the school year on a large black-and-white TV in the classroom. I thought of her just the other day when astronaut Eugene Cernan passed away, because she had our science class sign and mail a card to him and the rest of the crew of Apollo 10. She could aim an eraser with deadly accuracy, pounded on her desk with the nearest heavy object to get the attention of the students, and her tan 1961 Chevy coupe was the coolest teacher car ever. I will never forget her. RIP.

Ned Cooney - February 15, 2017 at 12:00 AM