



## Opal Mahnken

October 4, 1928 - August 7, 2022

Opal Emma Mahnken, 93, of Farrar, Missouri died Sunday, August 7, 2022 at Independence Care Center in Perryville.

She was born October 4, 1928 in Farrar, MO to Theodor and Hilda Verseman Steffens.

She and Leonard Mahnken were married September 28, 1948 at Salem Lutheran Church. He preceded her in death on May 7, 1988.

Opal was a lifelong member of Salem Lutheran Church, an avid quilter, gardener, and Cardinal fan, and a member of Salem Ladies Aid, Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Altar Guild, and Church Choir.

Survivors include one brother, Cletus Steffens of Farrar, MO; four daughters, Janice Mahnken of Altenburg, MO, Maxine (David) Theiss of Farrar, Jolene (Steve) Pohlman of Apple Creek, MO, Dana (Roy Jr.) Pohlman of Apple Creek, MO; three sons, Dewain Mahnken of Percy, IL, Steve (Sara) Mahnken of Longtown, MO, James Mahnken of Farrar, MO; daughter-in-law, Donna Mahnken; grandchildren, Jason, Jared, Benjamin, and Derek Theiss, Chad, Dylan, Eric, and Emma Mahnken, Alicea Legrand, Kaitlyn Wills, Kirsti Schremp, Whitney Hemman, Jacob Pohlman, Amanda Klaus, and Brad Mahnken and 16 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Elaine Hadler Davis; two brothers, Robert Steffens and LeeRoy Steffens; three sons, Doyle "Ollie" Mahnken, Neal Mahnken, and Jerry K. Mahnken; granddaughter, Jessica Theiss.

Visitation will be 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm on Thursday, August 11, 2022 at Salem Lutheran Church in Farrar. Funeral Service will be at 4:00 pm Thursday, August 11, 2022 at Salem Lutheran Church in Farrar with the Rev. Roger Abernathy officiating. Burial will be at Salem Lutheran Cemetery in Farrar.

Memorial contributions may be given to Salem Lutheran Church, Saxony Lutheran High School, or Crown Hospice.

Online condolences may be made at [www.fordandyoungfuneralhome.com](http://www.fordandyoungfuneralhome.com).

Ford & Young Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Salem Lutheran Cemetery

Farrar, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 11. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Salem Lutheran Church  
299 PCR 328  
Farrar, MO 63746

## Funeral Service

AUG 11. 4:00 PM (CT)

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299 PCR 328  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Opal Mahnken*

October 20, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ *Opal Mahnken*

October 20, 2023 at 01:44 AM



“ *To the Mahnken family, please accept our deepest sympathy. What a wonderful family she gave the world! May God give you his peace, comfort, and strength during this time. Rhoda and Gib Cornehlisen*

**Rhoda Cornehlisen** - August 09, 2022 at 10:53 AM



“ *To all the Mahnken family, I'd like to express my deepest sympathy. My thoughts and prayers of you at this time of the loss of your Mother, grandmother, friend. I enjoyed cleaning her room and talking to her. She was a beautiful lady..*

**Loretta Wood** - August 09, 2022 at 09:04 AM



“ *My heart and thoughts are with you. Sending prayers of peace and comfort for all of you through the times you need it as you both remember and grieve the passing of a great woman.*

**Christina Pohlman** - August 09, 2022 at 07:50 AM

PJ

“ Dear Jolene  
So sorry to hear about your mom. I will always keep those memories with me on how we all worked together so many years ago. She was so much fun. I will keep you and all your family in my prayers.  
Peggy (Schulte) James

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**Peggy James** - August 09, 2022 at 07:50 AM

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“ Please accept our deepest sympathy as this special lady has entered eternal glory. From all the pictures I've seen I know she was deeply loved. May God wrap his loving arms of comfort around each and every one of you

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**BOB AND KATHY DILLAHAY** - August 09, 2022 at 06:52 AM

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“ My sympathy to the family. God's peace enfold you. I remember the times she helped pack seeds for Hope Seeds to help feed the hungry.

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**Luella Franke** - August 08, 2022 at 01:31 PM