



Gloria Lavon Heilman

October 16, 1932 - March 24, 2022

Gloria “ Lavon” Heilman was born October 16, 1932 at Stark, Kansas. She passed away peacefully on March 24, 2022 at Neosho Memorial Regional Medical Center. She was the daughter of Glenn and Edna Chard Michael and graduated from Grant Township High School in 1950. She married Neal Heilman October 29, 1950 at Stark Methodist Church and lived on farm near Leanna and celebrated 71 years of marriage. She was a stay-at-home mother for 25 years. She went to work at JC Penney in 1975 and retiring after 20 years. She dedicated her spare time at blood bank, hospital auxiliary, St. Pats bargain store. Loved playing cards and quilting at Chanute Senior Center and enjoyed spending many nights dancing at area Senior Citizen dances. She was an avid sports lover and enjoyed the KU Jayhawks basketball and the Kansas City Royals.

She was a member of Big Creek United Methodist Church.

Survivors include husband Neal Heilman and 3 daughters Gayla Edwards (Royce), Glenna Grizzle (Ernie) LuAnn Haight (Mark)

She is survived by 10 grandchildren Justin Edwards (Addison), Darin Edwards, Ryan Edwards (Tai), Chad Heilman (Raelle), Mark Simpson, Thomas Grizzle (Emily), Brian Haight (Abby), Megan Vogelsberg (Andrew), Tyler Haight (Chelsea), Tara Haight (fiancé Drew)

and 18 grandchildren, Jocelyn, Jillian, Charlotte, Braxton, Jayci, Rockwell, Wiley, Lillyanne, Neal, Brady, Whitney, Hunter, Hayden, Ellie, Jack, Ben, Will, and Hazel

2 sisters Pat Richwine (Kelly) and Debbie Fessler and one brother Bryan Michael (Linda)

Proceeded in death by a son Randy L Heilman and 2 sisters Lavelle Watts and Janice Farrell and 2 brothers Elvin Michael and Evan Michael.

A memorial service and celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Memorials have been suggested to Big Creek Methodist Church or Otterbein United Methodist Church and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home.

Online condolences may be left at: www.countrysidefh.com. Services entrusted to Countryside Funeral Home 101 N. Highland, Chanute, KS 66720.

Tribute Wall

LB

“ To Pat and Kelly Richwine,

I am so sorry to hear about LaVon's passing. She was a good friend to both my mother and grandmother. She and Grandma Dunham had such fun quilting together at the Stark Methodist Church.

*Leann Hillbrant Buethner
Augusta, KS*

Leann Buethner - March 26, 2022 at 11:42 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Gloria Lavon Heilman.



March 26, 2022 at 10:41 AM

PT

“ My condolence to the family, she was a wonderful lady. I have many found memories of her from my childhood. Spending the night on the farm w/LeAnn, Big Creek Church activities, Fairfield Elementary, Best Yet 4-H & many more. She will be missed by all that knew her.

Patricia Redburn Thomas - March 25, 2022 at 03:55 PM

ML

My sincerest condolences to the family. So many memories of when I was young and lived east of them. Stayed with them when Mom went to Washington one time. One Halloween she dressed up as a bum and we were on the school bus and we picked up this bum on along the road on the way to school. We could not tell it was Lavon....had us scared! Oh what fun she was and I love to hear her laugh. I'm sure she was the life of the party. So sorry to hear of this special person in my life passing. Celebrate her life. ❤️

Monte (McIntyre) Lee - March 25, 2022 at 05:59 PM

NS

“ LuAnn, Im so sorry to hear of your moms passing. I really enjoyed visiting with her, she was such a good friend to my mom. My prayers & thoughts are with you & the family.

Nan Sheerer

Nan Sheerer - March 25, 2022 at 03:04 PM

DE

“ David Elder lit a candle in memory of Gloria Lavon Heilman



David Elder - March 25, 2022 at 04:50 AM

DE

“ Lu,I am so sorry, I remember your mom and dad at the high school basketball games, I used to see her at the store and we always chatted about grandkids, may our Lord Jesus give you peace during this time.

David Elder - March 25, 2022 at 04:49 AM

JJ

“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of her family and friends she was a lovely lady. May she Rest In Peace 🙏

Janice Haynes Jones - March 25, 2022 at 01:56 AM

KR

“ So many memories of my sweet sister-in-law. I have 60 plus years of memories, many I have probably forgotten. They are all good memories. I will recall two of them. I recall 3 sisters setting in a hot tub in Florida with a wine glass in hand laughing like they were 10 year old sisters. I am smiling as I write this as it was priceless. I recall Lavon knew I liked lemon pie and I swear she make the best in the world. Every time we had a gathering , she had lemon pie. I think it was just for me. I will miss sis {Lavon} until I meet her again.

kelly richwine - March 24, 2022 at 11:09 PM

RJ

“ So very many memories of time spent with the Heilman family. Lavon was such a happy, positive lady and I enjoyed spending time with her. I remember fondly all the nights our parents played cards and we kids did our best to be ornery, wild kids and some summer vacations we spent together. Thoughts of Lavon, all your family, always brings a smile to my face and a warmth to my heart! God bless you all, she was one of the best!

Reatha Bruner Juden - March 24, 2022 at 10:52 PM