



Joyce Faye Gartner

July 9, 1930 - March 1, 2017

Joyce Faye Gartner, 86, Topeka, passed away Wednesday, March 01, 2017, with family by her side.

Joyce was born July 9, 1930, in Topeka, Kansas, the daughter of Robert and Violet Waldy Davis. She was a 1948 graduate of Topeka High School and attended nursing school at Lutheran Hospital in St. Louis. While living in Newton, Kansas, Joyce was involved in Welcome Wagon and was named Woman of the Year. As a registered nurse, Joyce worked for the Shawnee County Health Department as a school nurse in the surrounding area. After retiring, she volunteered for the Marian Clinic and worked as a substitute school nurse.

On February 16, 1953, Joyce and Thomas Gartner were united in marriage enjoying over 59 years together before his death on March 10, 2012. They loved to entertain. Joyce was twice Cook of the Week in the Topeka Capital Journal and was instrumental in starting Supper Club at Most Pure Heart of Mary Parish where she lectured and served on the Parish Council. Joyce was an avid bridge player in the church Bridge Club. She was active in Civic New-Comers and volunteered at the ERC House for years. Tom and Joyce had been active in the Shrine and Joyce continued that involvement. Joyce was warm and welcoming, engaging, loving and helpful always. She loved her family and friends dearly and will be greatly missed.

Grateful to have shared her life are her children, Christopher Gartner (Sylvia) and Nancy Freund (Jay); grandchildren, Jordan Gartner, Brad Gartner (Sandra) and Katie Niemann (Eric); and great-grandchildren Mackenzie and Carson. Joyce was also preceded in death by her brother, Robert Davis.

A parish rosary will be prayed at 5 p.m. Tuesday at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614, where family will greet friends until 7 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Most Pure Heart of Mary Church. Burial will follow in Rochester Cemetery.

Dementia is a cruel foe. For those friends who walked beside Mom through these last several years, both she and her family thank you. Special thanks to Joan Dodson for taking Mom to activities with her.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Most Pure Heart of Mary Ministry to the Aging, sent in care of the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Rochester Cemetery

1200 NW Menninger Rd
Topeka, KS 66618

Previous Events

Rosary

MAR 7. 5:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614
(785) 272-7888
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

Visitation

MAR 7. 5:20 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

Most Pure Heart of Mary Church
3601 SW 17th Street
Topeka, KS 66604

Tribute Wall



“ *Joyce Faye Gartner*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Joyce Faye Gartner.*



March 06, 2017 at 03:50 PM



“ *I send my deepest sympathies to the family of Joyce Gartner. I didn't know her personally but remember my parents speaking of her and Tom a lot as they were my sister's godparents. May God's angels wrap their loving arms around you at this time of sadness.*

*Mary (Anderson) Clinton
Arlington, Texas.*

Mary (Anderson) Clinton - March 03, 2017 at 07:47 AM



“ *I'd like to extend my deepest sympathies to the family of Joyce Gartner I remember with fondness for my mother told me she was my Godmother. 💕 Linda (Anderson) Kaberline and family*

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