



Alma Matthews

October 21, 1930 - December 9, 2022

Alma “Queen” Matthews entered into rest at her home surrounded by her loving family on Friday, December 9, 2022, at the age of 92 years, 1 month, and 19 days. She was born October 21, 1930 in Iron County, MO to the late Addie Thurman Queen and Ervin Queen.

On September 8, 1951, Alma was united in marriage to Charles Matthews who preceded her in rest on December 31, 1984.

Alma was one of ten children with five brothers and four sisters. Surviving Alma is a brother Jack and Virginia Queen of Ironton, and two sisters Judy Perry of Farmington and Linda Queen of Sullivan. She is preceded in rest by four brothers; Harvey Queen, August Queen, Billy Queen, and Bobby Queen, and two sisters Wilma Pogue and Coeta Schottel.

Alma is also survived by a niece, Shannon Campbell and husband Richie of Ironton who she helped raise as her own daughter, Shannon’s children who she helped raise as her own grandchildren, and many more loving nieces, nephews, family members and friends.

Alma and Charles owned and operated their own store for many years until retiring in 1976. After retirement she volunteered at the hospital, Alma found great joy in caring for others. She was dedicated to the VFW ladies auxiliary to which she was a life member, patriotic instructor, and poppy chairwoman for over 50 years. In keeping the joy of caring for other, she dedicated time to take veterans to their doctor appointments.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Pilot Knob where she

fulfilled her God loving heart. Alma had many words of wisdom, life lessons to be taught, and scriptures to be shared. She will be loved and missed by everyone that was blessed to know and love her.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022 beginning at 1:00 pm from the Cole Family Chapel.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022 beginning at 11:00 am from the Cole Family Chapel.

Interment will follow the services in the Arcadia Valley Memorial Park.

Pastor Alan Berry will be officiating the services.

Online condolences may be made at www.colefamilyfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Arcadia Valley Memorial Park

Russellville Road
Ironton, MO 63650

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 14. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Cole Family Funeral Home
210 E Reynolds St
Ironton, MO 63650
(573) 546-0742

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

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“ *My beautiful Aunt who always came to be with me when I was in need. The last time I saw her she came to check on me. I know your now at peace and reunited with all our loved ones.
All my love, your nice Shelley.*



Shelley Hoybook - December 20, 2022 at 11:13 PM

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“ *Sherrt Bennett lit a candle in memory of Alma Matthews*



Sherrt Bennett - December 12, 2022 at 07:31 PM

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“ *Tom and Susan Cowsert purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Alma Matthews.*



Tom and Susan Cowsert - December 12, 2022 at 04:02 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Alma Matthews.* ”



December 12, 2022 at 03:46 PM

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“ Oh Alma, so many memories of you I will carry through the rest of my life. From your prestine cleaning regimements and ability to freeze any and everything. You knew how to stretch a dime. Your beauty, you honestly were a fountain of youth. Must be due to your ponds cold cream. You never seemed to age. You were so smart, your mind was as sharp as a tack. You were a encyclopedia full of information. If I needed to know something from back in the day you knew the day, time, location, who was all there. You were the go to. Though you were often stubborn and never nearly ever wrong it was ok. The flip side was that when you loved someone you loved them and protected them. You were little but fiery. The ones i knew you loved were the ones that didn't get razed for forgetting to wipe their feet on the rug when they came in your house. You let me slide on occasion. Thank you for that. Also, thank you for trying to be a voice of reason when sometimes I've thought of giving up on things I've wanted. Orchestrating to bridge the gap when there has been one in the family. Cutting through all the bologna and telling it like it was because you knew family was worth the trouble. You've never had a problem speaking your mind on how you felt. No matter what anyone thought. You had the respect of so many people. You dont get that for free. You earned that. You have all my love and respect.

Love you Alma,
Mona

Monique Heppermann - December 12, 2022 at 03:45 PM



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