



## Betty Gallaher

April 19, 1937 - May 18, 2026

Margaret Elizabeth "Betty" Gallaher, formerly of Belleview, MO, entered Heaven on Monday, May 18, 2026, at the age of 89 years and 29 days. She was born April 19, 1937, in Caledonia, MO, a daughter of the late John Hill Russell and Margaret May (Campbell).

On December 28, 1957, Betty was united in marriage to Sammie Clay Gallaher who preceded her in rest on February 13, 2022. To this union six children were born, Rick (Charlotte) Gallaher, John (Loretta) Gallaher, Susan (Denise Bracht) Gallaher, Bill (Colleen) Gallaher, Randy (Karen) Gallaher, Charles (Melissa) Gallaher.

Surviving Betty are five children, Rick, Susan, Bill, Randy, and Charles; many loving grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and a host of loving nephews, nieces, family members and friends.

She is preceded in rest by her parents, her husband Sam, a son John Gallaher, two brothers John and George Russell, and a sister Mary Cunningham.

Betty worked 25 years for the Arcadia Valley Hospital in the Dietary department, and also worked for the Baptist Home and in a shirt factory. She was a beautiful and talented piano player, sharing her talents with many different churches, she loved being a grandmother and great-grandmother, and loved spending time with her family as much as possible. She was a member of the Cedar Grove Methodist Church, and followed God all of her life.

Betty Gallaher was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grand and great-grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend. She will be missed by all who were blessed to know and love her.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, May 22, 2026, beginning at 1:00 pm from the Cole Family Funeral Home.

A Visitation for friends and family to gather will be held on Friday, May 22, 2026, beginning at 11:00 am and lasting until 1:00 pm from the Cole Family Funeral Home.

Interment will follow the services in the Caledonia Methodist Church.

Rev. Don Akers will be officiating the services.

Memorials may be made to the Baptist Home in Betty's honor.

# Cemetery Details

## Caledonia Methodist Cemetery

Caledonia, MO 63631

# Upcoming Events

## Visitation

MAY 22. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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

## Celebration of Life

MAY 22. 1:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

RB

“ Randy & Nancy Brown purchased the *Enchanted Cottage* for the family of Betty Gallaher.



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**Randy & Nancy Brown** - 39 minutes ago



“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of Betty Gallaher.



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SG

“ Steven T. Gallaher purchased the *In Heaven's Arms Bouquet* for the family of Betty Gallaher.



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**Steven T. Gallaher** - Yesterday at 09:50 PM

BN

“ Brian & Gloria Nash purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Betty Gallaher.



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**Brian & Gloria Nash** - Yesterday at 09:23 PM

TF

“ *The Forbes families and Wilson Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Betty Gallaher.*



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**The Forbes families and Wilson Family** - Yesterday at 07:31 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Betty Gallaher.*



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Yesterday at 04:08 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Betty Gallaher.*

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Yesterday at 04:08 PM