



Cynthia Ann Perkins

March 7, 1955 - April 13, 2026

Cynthia “Cyndi” Knock Perkins, born March 7, 1955, to Leon and Geneva Knock, passed away peacefully at home on April 13, 2026. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend whose vibrant personality and compassionate heart left a lasting impression on everyone who knew her.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday, April 17th at 10:30 a.m. at St. Clement Catholic Church in Bowling Green with Fr. Henry Ussher officiating. Burial will be in St. Clement Catholic Cemetery. Visitation will be Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., with a rosary at 10:00 a.m.

Lovingly known as “Owie” by her grandsons, Cyndi embraced her role as a grandmother with immense joy. She was a faithful member of the Catholic Church, finding strength and comfort in her faith throughout her life.

Cyndi dedicated the majority of her life to serving others as a nurse, a profession she was deeply passionate about. She spent many years working night shifts in the emergency room, labor and delivery, and even at the local jail, later continuing her compassionate care as a hospice nurse. Her knowledge, skill, and unwavering dedication made her an extraordinary caregiver who truly “knew everything” when it came to nursing.

Cyndi reconnected with her high school sweetheart and married the love of

her life, Bill Perkins on September 3, 2020, joyfully blending their families. She was a proud mother to her daughter, Jodi Peterson and her beloved son, Tyler Lumpkin, who preceded her in death in 2004. Through her marriage, she gained two cherished stepchildren, Chad Perkins and Jessica King.

Cyndi had an adventurous spirit and loved to travel, rarely staying in one place for long. She enjoyed people-watching, cheering for the St. Louis Cardinals, and most of all, supporting whichever team her grandsons were playing on at the time. She also found great joy in planting and tending to her flowers.

Known as the life of the family, Cyndi brought laughter and honesty wherever she went. You never quite knew what she was going to say, but her unfiltered words were always genuine, making her unforgettable to all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Leon and Geneva Knock; her son, Tyler Lumpkin; her niece, Megan Knock; and her brother-in-law, Doug Mudd.

She will be deeply missed by her loving husband, Bill Perkins; her daughter, Jodi Peterson (Tom) of Leland, North Carolina; her grandsons, Michael, Matthew, and Luke Peterson; her former husband, Mark Rucker, father of her daughter, Jodi; her stepchildren, Chad Perkins (Jamie) of Troy and their children, Lucy and Reagan; and Jessica King (Bryan) of Louisburg, Kansas and their daughters, Claire and Carly. She is also survived by her sisters, Shelba (Walter) Northcutt, Sheila Knock, Geanine Mudd, and Jennifer (Malcolm) Fisher; and her brother, George Knock; along with many cherished nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Cyndi's legacy of compassion, humor, and love will live on in the hearts of all who knew her. She will be remembered for her unwavering care for others, her adventurous spirit, and the joy she brought to every gathering.

Pallbearers will be George Knock, Michael Peterson, Matthew Peterson, Luke Peterson, Kyle Mudd, and Cody Mudd.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Cemetery Details

St. Clement Cemetery

St. Clement, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 17. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Clement Catholic Church
21509 Hwy 161
Bowling Green, MO 63334
<http://www.stclementmo.org>

Rosary

APR 17. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

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Burial

APR 17 (CT)

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Tribute Wall

GY

“ *My thoughts & prayers are with all of you! I went to Nursing school in Mexico with Cyndi! So many fun memories!*

Gayla Faught Yates - April 17 at 10:24 PM

DF

“ *My sympathy and prayers to Jody and all Cyndi's family. I worked with her at Lincoln County Medical Center years ago.*
Donna Francis RN

Donna Francis - April 16 at 05:43 PM

BK

“ *I'm so very sorry for her passing. My condolences to the family.*



Billy Knock - April 16 at 09:19 AM

PP

“ *Our deepest sympathy to all of Cyndi's family. Early in her nursing career she worked OB with us at Pike County Memorial Hospital. Then she spread her wings to bigger hospitals in MO and N.C. I remember she was happy to be closer to Jodi even more so after Tyler left this earth..*
She will always be a nursing friend.

Paulette Powelson - April 15 at 03:03 PM

DE

“ So very sorry for your loss



Deanie Ebers - April 15 at 12:42 PM

MJ

“ Hugs and prayers to all. RIP Cyndi.

Margie Jamieson - April 15 at 12:33 PM



“ Susan King lit a candle in memory of Cynthia Ann Perkins



Susan King - April 15 at 08:48 AM

BS

“ Johnnie and i met Cyndi and Bill when they were living in Leland NC. Many memories of watching TV together. Eating together. She will be so missed. Now she will be with her beloved son. Our deepest sympathy.



Betty ann smith - April 14 at 09:13 PM

HJ

“ Heather, Greg & Jaden purchased the Beautiful i
n Blue for the family of Cynthia Ann Perkins.



Heather, Greg & Jaden - April 14 at 07:50 PM

AC

“ So sorry for your loss! 🙏



Ann Cannon - April 14 at 06:31 PM