



Joan Wallace Edwards

July 2, 1941 - April 5, 2019

Joan Wallace-Edwards, age 77 of St. Louis and formerly of Bowling Green, passed away Friday, April 5, 2019 at her residence.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00am Saturday, April 13, 2019 at the Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green with Rev. Milton Stewart officiating.

Burial will be in the Indian Creek Cemetery. Visitation will be held on Saturday from 10:00am until time of services at the funeral home.

Joan was born July 2, 1941, the daughter of Raymond and Alta Grover Wallace. She married Durward Eugene "Deke" Edwards June 17, 1961 at the United Methodist Church in Bowling Green. He survives.

Other survivors include daughter Teri Jo Edwards of St. Louis; son Sean Edwards (Tonda) of Olathe, KS; grandson Ian Edwards of Olathe, KS; nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents and brother Larry Wallace.

Joan grew up in Bowling Green and graduated from Bowling Green High School in 1959. After graduation she attended St. Louis College of Pharmacy for two years while working a full-time job in the Barnes-Jewish Hospital pharmacy department. In 1960 she transferred to Southern Illinois University Carbondale to be close to Deke. They both moved to and settled in St. Louis in 1962, where they reside today.

Joan grew up in the Methodist Church and loved gospel music. She worked for 40 years as a reservationist and international rate agent for TWA and American Airlines. Joan was very involved in helping visually impaired people,

often taking them to places they needed to go. She served as Treasurer of the Missouri School for the Blind Boosters, as well as a member of the St. Louis Council of the Blind. While her husband Deke worked at the Missouri School for the Blind, she helped grade papers and whatever else he may have needed assistance with.

Joan enjoyed reading, traveling and planning trips for her family. She also assisted in her husband's long-distance tandem bike rides across the country. Joan was very generous and thoughtful of others, always putting others before herself. She will be greatly missed by all that knew her.

Serving as pallbearers will be Ian Edwards, Charlie Romans, Tommy Kreuger, Brandon Miller, Rod Boyer and Dennis Rupp.

Memorials may be made to the St. Jude's or Shriners Children's Hospitals.

Cemetery Details

Indian Creek Memorial Gardens Cemetery

New Hartford, MO 63359

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's & Crematory LLC - Bowling Green
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Tribute Wall

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“ Teri, your mom was one of the good ones. One of the best ones. She was warm, and she was wise, and she was fun. I always felt so welcome in your home, and your parents always seemed happy to join in the chaos that was a living room full of eighth graders. She was always there to listen, and she always gave good advice. My heart goes out to all of you.

Toni Feldhaus-Ingley - April 17, 2019 at 07:07 PM

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“ JoAn was a charter member of the St. Louis Council of the Blind. During the past 32 years she regularly attended our monthly meetings, supported projects and participated in activities. A willing help, she often provided transportation for those who cannot drive. Her personality was warm and welcoming but not intrusive. Sometimes she was just a quiet presence. JoAn was our friend and we will miss her very much.

Our heartfelt sympathy to Deke and all the family from the members and friends of the St. Louis Council of the Blind.

Karen Newmann - April 13, 2019 at 06:42 PM



“ *Dear Deke,
Please accept my most sincere condolences with regards to the passing of your dear wife Joan. May she rest in peace.
I feel the love and pride my mother and father had for you as I write these words.
Continued success, good health, and good fortune to you and your family.*

*Respectfully yours,
Robert H. Thompson Jr.*

Bob Thompson - April 13, 2019 at 02:11 PM



“ *Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Joan Wallace Edwards.*



April 10, 2019 at 06:38 PM



“ *I will always remember the dedication to Deke and the family that Joan showed. A true gem and sweetheart. My heartfelt thanks to the family for sharing her with us over the 45 years I have known her.*

Dave Wicks

Dave Wicks - April 10, 2019 at 04:13 PM

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“ Deke and family, I am so sorry to hear of Joan's passing. You had a great wife and mother for a long time, and for that we can be grateful. My prayers are with you at this time of grieving.

Nancy Arnold

Nancy Arnold - April 10, 2019 at 08:24 AM

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“ Neal & Karen purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Joan Wallace Edwards.



Neal & Karen - April 09, 2019 at 05:12 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Joan Wallace Edwards.



April 09, 2019 at 04:10 PM



“ Bobbi Shinn lit a candle in memory of Joan Wallace Edwards



Bobbi Shinn - April 08, 2019 at 06:07 PM



Deke, Teri and family. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time.

Kerrie Townsend - April 09, 2019 at 10:16 PM

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“ *Janet Grover Elliott lit a candle in memory of Joan Wallace Edwards*



Janet Grover Elliott - April 08, 2019 at 04:39 PM