



## Martha Lou Grote

June 1, 2015

Martha Lou Grote, age 87, of Bowling Green passed away Monday, June 01, 2015 at the Country View Nursing Facility. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 am Wednesday, June 3, at the St. Clement Catholic Church with Fr. Charles Tichacek officiating. Burial will be in St. Clement Cemetery. Visitation will be held from 4:00 pm until 8:00 pm on Tuesday at the Bibb-Veach Funeral Home in Bowling Green.

Martha Lou was born December 20, 1927 in Louisiana, the daughter of Herman and Theresa Tepen Stark. She married Ansel Grote May 7, 1949 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Louisiana. He preceded her in death.

Survivors include sons Wayne Grote (Carol) of Bowling Green, Bob Grote (Michelle) of Bowling Green, Larry Grote (Kelly) of Frankford, Harry Grote of Bowling Green and Joe Grote (Rose) of Louisiana; daughters Betty Carter (Reuben) of Hallsville and Patti Soukup of Hallsville; Daughter in Law Sallie Grote of Curryville; brothers Tony Stark (Jean) Louisiana and Kenny Stark (Liddy) of Jacksonville, IL.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, sons Thomas and John Grote; grandson Donald Grote; sister Ermadell Smith (Pete).

Martha Lou lived her entire life in Pike County and settled in St. Clement after

she and Ansel married. She was a member of the St. Clement Catholic Church where she was a member of the Ladies Sodality. She enjoyed planting flowers, crocheting and playing bingo. She loved taking care of her children, and loved spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Serving as pallbearers will be her grandsons. Honorary pallbearers will be grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's & Crematory LLC created a Tribute Video in memory of Martha Lou Grote*



**Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's, LLC.** - June 23, 2015 at 11:58 AM

JK

“ *Jamie Kerr lit a candle in memory of Martha Lou Grote*



**Jamie Kerr** - July 06, 2016 at 11:26 AM

LO

“ *Sorry for your loss you are all in our thoughts and prayers*

**Les & Kathy Orf** - June 23, 2015 at 11:17 AM

CD

“ *I am deeply saddened to hear about Martha Lou's passing. She is in a much better place now. Completely healed and with Uncle Ansel and the rest of her family who have been waiting for her to come Home. The entire family is in our thoughts and prayers.*

**Chuck & Annette (Grote) Douglass** - June 23, 2015 at 11:16 AM

TS

“ *My condolences to the family.*

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**Teresa (Tophinke) Suan** - June 23, 2015 at 11:16 AM

MJ

“ *So sorry for your loss. You are all in my prayers.*

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**Missy Jaeger** - June 23, 2015 at 11:15 AM

CA

“ *Thinking of all of you at this time. Martha Lou was one of a kind!  
Good memories of her and Ansel!*

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**Christina Allensworth** - June 23, 2015 at 11:15 AM

NA

“ *So sorry all of you for she was a very special lady. Never failed to  
welcome all into her life and make us all laugh. She will be truly  
missed.*

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**Nadyne** - June 23, 2015 at 11:14 AM

LR

“ *To all of the family from your cousin in Iowa. The last time I visited  
with your mom was in Aunt Judy Smith's kitchen with my mom, Aunt  
Leona, present. It was always a hoot sitting listening to those three  
ladies going over history of the family then the new gossip I think  
they must have gotten all mixed up (just my opinion). I really miss  
those family gatherings and the ones that included the entire family.  
Such as the time my parents and I stopped in just for a quick visit-  
Ha!-no such thing. One quick chicken kill by Ansel and a meal fixed  
by Martha Lou and we were eating REAL good. Remember and  
charish the good times. My condolenses-Cousin Linda*

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**Linda (Korte) Rhoades** - June 23, 2015 at 11:14 AM

KB

“ You are in my thoughts and prayers today as you lay your Mom to rest. We love you Patti.

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**Kay Berkley** - June 23, 2015 at 11:14 AM

JN

“ Harry, Bob, and family,  
My sympathy on the passing of Mary Lou. I visited with her at the nursing home while visiting other clients. She was always friendly and liked to talk about the things she could remember and share from our younger days. She was a great lady. Again my sympathy.  
Jim Niemeyer and family

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**Jim Niemeyer** - June 23, 2015 at 11:14 AM