



## Mercedes Amelia Behlmann

August 3, 1924 - July 14, 2021

Mercedes Amelia Behlmann, 96, of Bowling Green passed away Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at Lynn's Heritage House in Louisiana, Missouri.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Friday, July 23, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Clement Catholic Church with Fr. Henry Ussher and Deacon Wayne Korte officiating. Burial will be in St. Clement Cemetery. Visitation will be from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 22, 2021 at Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes and Crematory in Bowling Green.

Mercedes was born on August 3, 1924 to Clarence Herman and Elizabeth Catherine Haselhorst Huhman in Osage Bend, Missouri. She was united in marriage on August 20, 1947 to Elmer Behlmann at St. Clement Catholic Church. He preceded her in death on November 22, 2006.

Mercedes grew up around Jefferson City, eventually relocating to Bowling Green, where she graduated from Bowling Green High School in 1942. Mercedes was a devoted member of St. Clement Catholic Church; which also included the Ladies Sodality, the church quilt group, the St. Clement Homemakers' Club, and contributing to the efforts of the Shrine of Mary. Elmer had often said that Mercedes would jump off the roof of the church if someone had called and asked her to do so. Mercedes enjoyed quilting, playing Bunco and working in her flower beds. She always enjoyed her trips with Emma Jo

Niemeyer; cruises, Las Vegas and New York. Mercedes was well known for her cake decorating skills. She has made many birthday and wedding cakes over the years. She shared her talent with many as she taught cake decorating to local 4-H students, as well as sewing. She was also famous for her homemade rolls, which were served at nearly every dinner held at the Knights of Columbus Hall. Mercedes' favorite pastime was spending time with her family in whatever way they could. Her family meant the world to her and brought her so much joy. Mercedes will be greatly missed by all who were blessed to be part of her life.

Mercedes is survived by son, Roy Behlmann (Marilyn) of Bowling Green; daughter, Amy Griffin (Sean) of Overland, Missouri; grandchildren: Tasha Wiler (Nico Basel), Will Wiler (Makayla), Virgil Jones (Shaleigh Mooney), Leigh Jones (Jason Lester), Nicole Ganger (Tim), Sara Behlmann Manaska (James), and Tyler Behlmann (Mallory); sixteen great-grandchildren; brother, Clarence Huhman, Jr. of Atlanta, Georgia; sister, Nancy Brakhage of Columbia, Missouri; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Elmer; grandson, Hunter Behlmann; son-in-law, Boots Wasson; and sisters, Kathy Rodgers and Grace Suthoff.

Pallbearers will be Marie Korte, David Brakhage, Steven Huhman, Bill Suthoff, Ronnie Twellman, Kyle Luebrecht, Justin Luebrecht, and Chris Rodgers. Honorary pallbearers will be her grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to St. Clement Catholic Church, St. Clement Ladies Sodality, or the St. Clement Quilters.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Clement Cemetery

St. Clement, MO

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 22. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's & Crematory LLC - Bowling Green  
606 West Main Street  
Bowling Green, MO 63334  
(573) 324-2211  
office@bibbveach.com  
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## Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 23. 10:00 AM (CT)

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

## Burial

JUL 23 (CT)

St. Clement Cemetery  
St. Clement, MO



# Tribute Wall

NC

“ Mercedes was always a special cousin. She was always so gracious and words cannot express what a wonderful person she was. God blest us all when he made her. All the Huhman cousins really enjoyed the get-togethers we had at her house. There was never a want for some of her good food she had prepared and then we would go out to eat lunch at a local restaurant. I always wanted to visit her when she was living at the nursing home but the opportunity didn't present itself.

*My sympathy to all her family. May she rest in peace.*

*Nlna Stratman (Herb and Rose's daughter)  
Vienna, MO*

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**Nina Stratman, cousin** - July 23, 2021 at 06:08 PM

PB

“ Aunt Mercedes set a standard of decency, kindness, and generosity. She supported me through some difficult times and I am grateful for having known her. While it is difficult to think her missing from my life, it is also comforting to know that she was a person of great faith who followed the example of Christ and has returned to his fold.

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**Peter Brakhage** - July 23, 2021 at 09:33 AM

DC

“ Daylan and Noah Coleman purchased the Sweet est Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Mercedes Amelia Behlmann.



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**Daylan and Noah Coleman** - July 22, 2021 at 05:49 PM

ML

“ *Where there is sadness, love plants a garden of memories. Wishing moments of peace and tender reflection...sending warm, heartfelt sympathy!! Love, Marlene, Steve and the Likens family*

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**Marlene Likens** - July 22, 2021 at 01:11 PM

JN

“ *Our sincere sympathy and prayers for you and the family. There are many beautiful memories of Mercedes and Elmer, family events, card groups, and the travels with my mother. May she look down upon us from the joys of the heavenly kingdom.  
Jim and Carmen Niemeyer*

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**Jim Niemeyer** - July 22, 2021 at 12:28 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Mercedes Amelia Behlmann.*



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July 22, 2021 at 12:16 PM



“ 79 files added to the album Life Tributes



Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's, LLC. - July 21, 2021 at 06:14 PM

CB

“ Love this lady. When Chuck and I got married she made my wedding cake. She was a very special person. I'm so glad that I met Amy then met her mom. You will be miss. PRAYERS for the family.

Christy Bloodgood - July 21, 2021 at 04:55 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mercedes Amelia Behlmann.



July 20, 2021 at 03:17 PM

AS

“ She was truly a beautiful person, neighbor and great lady. Prayers and sympathy to her family

Alice C Schuckenbrock - July 20, 2021 at 02:42 PM

JE

“ Jean and Charlie Everett purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Mercedes Amelia Behlmann.



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**Jean and Charlie Everett** - July 20, 2021 at 02:40 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mercedes Amelia Behlmann.



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July 19, 2021 at 05:12 PM

LF

“ Love, The Clarence Huhman Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mercedes Amelia Behlmann.



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**Love, The Clarence Huhman Family** - July 19, 2021 at 04:08 PM

DC

“ Dianne Collins lit a candle in memory of Mercedes Amelia Behlmann



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**Dianne Collins** - July 19, 2021 at 02:12 AM

BK

“ To Roy, Amy and all the family and loved ones of Mercedes- I just learned today that Mercedes, my Godmother, passed. She was a sweet saintly person and a model for us all. My mom and dad always had the utmost respect and admiration for her and Elmer. Because they were my godparents, they would conscientiously send birthday cards to me with some dollars enclosed of course! :) Mercedes traded recipes with my mom and my folks were in several card clubs together with them over the years, and they were leaders in the Church and community, not in a loud way, but by quiet consistent Christian example. Sending heartfelt condolences and prayers your way, Now there's another saint in heaven. Love, Bill Kolb

Bill Kolb - July 18, 2021 at 04:47 PM

AG

Thank you Bill. I didn't know how to get ahold of you to let know. Mom loved you so much

amy griffin - July 19, 2021 at 02:15 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mercedes Amelia Behlmann.



July 18, 2021 at 01:07 PM

LA

“ Roy, Amy and family. I a, so sorry for your loss. Your mom was such a great lady. I will always cherish the memories of spending two weeks in the summers at your house each year when I was growing up! She was always so kind and gentle. I will never forget her trying to get me to drink milk that was just brought in from the cow. LOL. She always had a big smile and the best hug when I would see her. She will be missed by all. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.  
Laura Warneke (Behlmann)

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**laura** - July 18, 2021 at 01:00 PM

JV

“ Roy, Marilyn and Family,  
Your mom was a great Christ follower and loved helping and serving people. She was so kind to Cathy and I when we first moved there and continued until we moved here to Springfield. Her rolls were always on my menu whenever possible. The church will miss her along with the community. May God lift you up and give you peace.  
John and Cathy Veach

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**john veach** - July 17, 2021 at 09:58 PM

KB

“ Roy & Amy - We have had many great memories with your parents through the years 4-H hayrides/ hot dog roast on the farm. Elmer & Mercedes were great inspiration to our parents, playing cards, going out to dinner and traveling to Las Vegas. Emma Jo love going on bus trips with Mercedes, and rest of the ladies group. Your mom will forever remain in our hearts and memories. Our deepest sympathy to your family.

*Kathy Niemeyer Beckman*

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**Kathy Niemeyer Beckman** - July 16, 2021 at 03:32 PM

JS

“ My condolences to all of Mercedes family. She was in every way a lady and in all of the years of knowing and working with her I never heard her say an unkind word about anyone. She will be greatly missed by the whole community. Rest easy my friend.

Joyce Scherder - July 16, 2021 at 01:29 PM

DE

“ My deepest sympathy to the family

Deanie Ebers - July 16, 2021 at 08:09 AM

DI

“ Think of all of you!

Diana ( Susan Robbs daughter)



Diana - July 16, 2021 at 07:43 AM

DT

“ Mercedes was a joyful presence in my life over many years. I first remember her when she and Elmer would be playing cards with Mom and Dad and a few other friends in our home or theirs. She made us kids feel very welcome. Later I would mostly see her at Church or in the Hall serving a meal. And yes, her rolls were a treasure! I had the pleasure of sitting next to her at a family wedding reception a few years ago and she was still one of the most pleasant people I have ever known. I will think of her often, and smile. I am sorry for your loss Roy and Amy. She is irreplaceable. Dorothy Twellman



Dorothy Twellman - July 16, 2021 at 01:10 AM

TD

“ Tom-Jean Dempsey sent a virtual gift in memory of Mercedes Amelia Behlmann



Tom-Jean Dempsey - July 15, 2021 at 09:13 PM

KB

“ I remember Mrs.Behlman teaching us cake decorating for 4H. I still use her posy icing recipe!! She will be greatly missed. Prayers of comfort and strength to her family. May Gods wrap His loving arms around you.

Karen Biggs - July 15, 2021 at 06:53 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Mercedes Amelia Behlmann.



July 15, 2021 at 02:29 PM

ZC

“ Zula Chandler lit a candle in memory of Mercedes Amelia Behlmann



Zula Chandler - July 15, 2021 at 02:08 PM

CB

“ *Cathy Bibb sent a virtual gift in memory of Mercedes Amelia Behlmann*



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**Cathy Bibb** - July 15, 2021 at 01:03 PM

BH

*You should know that Joyce Hummel often told me how wonderful Mercedes was to her, Herm and their children.*

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**Betty Jo Hummel** - July 15, 2021 at 01:51 PM

SN

*Mercedes was such a sweet LADY! My family loved her rolls for our Thanksgiving Dinners. Condolences to the Family.*

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**Shelba Northcutt** - July 15, 2021 at 08:38 PM

RO

*Such a caring, soft-spoken, sweet lady who will be missed by many. She and Richard were cousins by marriage as her mother-in-law, Elizabeth and Richard's mother, Margaret were sisters. I always enjoyed visiting with her at family gatherings and looked forward to her cakes and rolls! She was a willing volunteer whenever asked.*

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**Richard & Susie Oberdahlhoff** - July 17, 2021 at 01:54 PM