



Ann Iles

December 12, 1947 - February 21, 2022

Margee Ann Iles (Dryer), 74 of Higginsville, Missouri passed away on Monday, February 21, 2022, at her home. She was born Friday, December 12, 1947 in Higginsville, to the late Roger Dryer and the late Margee Dryer (Schroer). Ann graduated from Higginsville High School and married Kenneth Iles on November 27, 1966. Ann worked for a short time at Repp Motors and opened her own clothing store with her sister Carolyn, Sunshine Children's Shop. After raising her boys, she went back to school and earned her Bachelor's Degree in Education at CMSU in Warrensburg, Missouri. Ann spent 25 plus years working between the Higginsville Habilitation Center, Rolling Meadow, and Lakeview Woods. Ann retired in 2014. Ann's passion in life has always been caring for others, whether her family, her students, or members of her community. Being an active member of Salem United Church of Christ, she spent countless hours leading the Youth Choir for 36 years, Little Notes for 32 years, Chime Bell Director 8 years, church plays, and many other music projects. She also volunteered her time working with the Foster Grandparents Organization. She was a member of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority - chapter Xi Gama Zeta. She volunteered as a 4-H project leader and as a camp counselor with her husband. She loved spending time with her family and watching her grandchildren grow. Ann will be dearly missed by everyone who came to know her.

Surviving are two sons, Brent (Devon) Iles of Grain Valley, MO and Brian (Jamie) Iles of Higginsville; two brothers, Darrell (Cheri) Dryer of Liberty, MO

and Mark (Laura) Dryer of Saint Louis, MO; one sister, Carolyn (Bob) Rauch of Higginsville; five grandchildren, Gabe, Dru, Noah, Luke, and Maggie. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Kenneth Iles. The family will receive friends from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM on Friday, February 25, 2022, at Salem United Church of Christ. A funeral service will directly follow at 12:00 PM with Rev. Andy Mockridge officiating. Interment will follow in Salem Cemetery, Higginsville. Casket Bearers: Conor Dryer, Blake Dryer, Adam Rauch, Ben Rauch, Kent Dryer, Kirk Dryer, Gabe Iles, Noah Iles. Honorary Casket Bearers: Luke Iles, Kelcie Beahan, Dru Iles, Maggie Iles. Memorials may be made to Salem United Church of Christ - Youth Choir or Little Notes.

Cemetery Details

Salem Cemetery

Higginsville, MO 64037

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **25**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Salem United Church of Christ
1500 N Main St.
Higginsville, MO 64037
salemucc@ctcis.net
<http://www.salemucchigginsville.org>

Funeral Service

FEB **25**. 12:00 PM - 12:45 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Ann Iles*

October 22, 2023 at 02:42 PM



“ *Ann Iles*

October 07, 2023 at 11:48 AM



“ *Ann Iles*

October 06, 2023 at 07:00 AM



“ *Ann Iles*

January 31, 2023 at 02:49 AM



“ *David and I send out condolences and prayers to Ann's family and friends.*

Nancy Riekhof - February 24, 2022 at 06:46 PM



“ *Brian, my thoughts and prayers are for you and your family on the death of your mother.
I know it's hard but remember the good times you had with her.*

Virginia Redwine - February 24, 2022 at 06:23 PM

KS

“ We send our deepest sympathy and heartfelt prayers to all of Ann's family. She was such a wonderful, dear friend of mine and my family. Our friendship grew even stronger when she directed the Youth Choir, Little Notes, and Chime Bell Choirs at Salem and I accompanied them. She found so much joy and love in teaching the music to the youth of Salem UCC and all the while making each child feel so special. Ann also had a beautiful singing voice and helped the youth to feel confident in their singing! My husband, Kirk, and I feel blessed that our own daughters were in these choirs under Ann's direction. She genuinely cared about each choir member and what was happening in their lives. Ann enjoyed sharing stories about her family and the fun times they had expressing each detail vividly! She loved them dearly!! On Sunday mornings, Ann and I would usually have time together to visit after our youth groups had practiced and before the worship service would begin. Being both teachers, we discussed education topics and teaching strategies which we would both use in our classrooms. We shared so many family stories and memories that we both felt like we were a part of each other's family! Ann's strong faith and positive personality and attitude made you just love being with her! I know this played a role in how hard she fought through each challenge she faced with her health. I have missed her dearly when she was unable to be at church. She and I made a great team with the youth music program. My heart aches with our loss of Ann, but I know she is now at home and at peace with our Lord. We are all blessed to have had Ann in our lives!

*With much love and sympathy,
Kirk and Jamie Smith and family*

Kirk and Jamie Smith - February 24, 2022 at 04:42 PM

KE

“ My condolences to the family, especially classmate Carolyn Rauch. I remember meeting Ann, Brenda Schneider, and Carolyn for lunch when you ladies came to KC for hair appointments some years back. Also 4H memories of all you Dryer siblings growing up. Higginsville was a wonderful community to be a part of. Looking forward to our next class reunion. Sincerely, Karen Knipmeyer Evans.

Karen Evans - February 24, 2022 at 11:31 AM

CW

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Ann was a sorority sister and friend. She was a loving choir director of the youth at Salem Church. My deepest sympathy.
Connie Walker.

Connie Walker - February 24, 2022 at 09:17 AM

KM

“ Having met Ann and Elaine In the 1st grade and becoming best friends was the greatest happening of my life. I have missed my best friends for many years and am extremely saddened by Ann's death. My thoughts and love go out to her family. I send heartfelt prayers out to all her family. The world was so much better with her in it.
Karen Jennings McAllister

Karen Jennings McAllister - February 23, 2022 at 09:15 PM