



Esther Lovena Westermeyer

October 18, 2022

Esther Lovena Westermeyer, 78, of Bluffs passed away Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2022, at the Scott County Nursing Center in Winchester. She was born, June 24, 1944, in Jacksonville, the daughter of Robert G. and Thelma Day Barnett. She married Don Westermeyer on July 7, 1963.

Surviving is husband, Don of Bluffs; sons, Gary (Teresa) Westermeyer of Bluffs, Greg Westermeyer of Florida and Guy (Susan) Westermeyer of Indiana; grandchildren, Erin (Chris) Miller, Lauren (Ben) Miller, Julia Westermeyer and Grant Westermeyer; great grandchildren, Carter, Wyatt, Bexson, and Graceson; siblings, Fred Barnett of AZ and Ilene Wright of Jacksonville and sister-in-law, Terrell Barnett of Springfield. She was preceded in death by brothers, Kenneth, Jack and Gary Barnett and sister, Imogene Schafer.

Esther was a member of Life Family Church in Virginia. She retired after 16 years of being head cook for Bluffs School district. She enjoyed baking wedding cakes for over 45 years, working with Classee Catering for 10 years and selling Watkins. Esther was a member on the Scott County Nursing Center advisory board and was a 4-H Club leader for many years.

A funeral service will be held 10:00 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022, at the Daws Family Funeral Home in Jacksonville with interment in the Hillcrest Cemetery near Bluffs. A visitation will be held 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, 2022, at the funeral home. Memorials are suggested to Meredosia/Bluffs Rescue Squad or the Scott County Nursing Center.

Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Cemetery

Bluffs, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **21**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Daws Family Funeral Home - Jacksonville
508 W. Vandalia
Jacksonville, IL 62650
(217) 243-0444
mackeydawsfuneralhome@yahoo.com

Service

OCT **22**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Esther Lovena Westermeyer*

January 28, 2023 at 11:11 AM



“ *Or prayers are with your family as you grieve Esther's passing; yet, we rejoice with you in knowing she is with her Lord and Savior.*
Dirk and Lisbeth Lefler

Lisbeth Lefler - October 24, 2022 at 11:59 PM



“ *So sorry to hear that she has passed. She was a strong Christen and very kind hearted person.* *Norma Jefferson Ossmann*

Norma Ossmann - October 23, 2022 at 08:43 PM



“ *First wedding cake*



Christine Schafer - October 23, 2022 at 01:52 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathies to the Westermeyer Family on the loss of Esther..
Always enjoyed the the stories she shared with me when I saw her in Plackes..
May the many memories comfort you in the days and years ahead..*

*Sincerely
Bob & Bev Engelbrecht*

Beverly Engelbrecht - October 21, 2022 at 05:49 PM

CS

Aunt Esther started her Wedding cake career with ours on Nov. 24, 1973! There were many more after.

Christine Schafer - October 23, 2022 at 01:55 PM

JB

“ *So sorry to hear of your loss. Esther was sweet, kind, and a humble person. I remember the fellowship we shared for so many years. We were blessed to know her and the family. Jim&Brenda Beckman.*

James Beckman - October 21, 2022 at 04:54 PM

MP

“ *I have a lot of memories of Esther. I remember her working at the Dairy Bell for my parents. I thought she had the most beautiful black hair. Not long after I remember going to her wedding and after that my mom calling her " Esther Wester" I remember going to her house in the country with my mom after she was married. What a beautiful home. I remember her cooking at school and looking forward to lunch hour because it would be the best meal you could get anywhere. What a great cook and lady she was.*

Marilyn Placke - October 20, 2022 at 09:11 PM

JM

“*Esther gave so much to so many. I remember all the way back when I was in school and she was a room mom, You're always welcome to me in their home as a best friend to their son Greg, I will always remember the 4-H meetings and the trips to Springfield. She made the best cakes around and more than anything she loves Christ. The family will remain on my heart and in my prayers.*”

Jeff Mueller - October 20, 2022 at 05:46 PM

KB

“*Our deepest condolences to all the family. Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers. Jim and Karen Traw*”

Karen Brown-Traw - October 20, 2022 at 12:28 PM

BN

“*She was absolutely one of the best! Always so sweet and kind to me - and I always picture her smiling. She's celebrating in Heaven now.*”



Becky Carter Naccarato - October 19, 2022 at 11:38 PM

TS

“*Thoughts an prayers to the whole family*”

TYLER & KARI SIX - October 19, 2022 at 09:52 PM

DL

“*Esther's smile and warm heart will always be remembered. Our whole family sure loved her ❤️*
Robin & Debra Lewis”

Debra Lewis - October 19, 2022 at 08:29 PM

PE

“ So sorry for loss of your wonderful, Wife, Mother, Grandmother, Sister and friend Esther. I have known her most of my 77 years. She was always so sweet and enjoyed visiting her at Placke's. She was friend and school mate being one year ahead. God Bless you all at this time. Patricia Engelbrecht

PATRICIA ENGELBRECHT - October 19, 2022 at 07:21 PM

DF

“ So sorry to hear this. Esther and I went through some harrowing time a few years ago. She was a pillar of strength. My condolences to the family. She'll be sorely missed.
Deborah (Brackett) Foust

Deborah Foust - October 19, 2022 at 06:49 PM