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Alma Fern Miller, daughter of Edward Josiah and Mary Estella Constant Gray, was born October 4, 1922, in Decatur, Illinois. She departed this life Thursday, October 16, 2014, in her home, in Lebanon, Missouri, at the age of ninety-two years, and twelve days.

On December 6, 1940, she was united in marriage to Harry Howard “Shorty” Miller, and to this union one daughter and four sons were born.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Shorty, on September 17, 2006; a daughter, Fern Miller Stark; a son, Richard Miller; three brothers, Albert, Carl, and Earl Gray; and five sisters, Dorothy Ostrander, May Colebeck, Armenia Gray, Esther Mueller, and Vivian Gadberry.

Alma is survived by three sons, Allyn Miller, and his wife, Voncille, Larry Miller, and Joyce Cannon, and Terry Miller, and his wife, Carmen, all of Lebanon, Missouri; eleven grandchildren; twenty-eight great-grandchildren; nine great-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Anna Lee Karloski, and her husband, Walter, of Decatur, Illinois, and Vonna Ruth Tebussek, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; a number of nieces and nephews; as well as a host of other relatives and friends.

She was born and raised in Decatur, Illinois. After she and Shorty were married, they made their home in Illinois while Shorty served in the United States Navy. In 1951, the family moved to Lebanon, Missouri, and began working in the sanitation business. In the late 1960’s, Shorty and Alma became the sole owners of Miller Sanitation Company, which they operated until selling the business to Waste Management of the Ozarks in the early 1990’s. Throughout the years, Alma was a devoted homemaker to her husband and family and also helped in the family business. Earlier in her life, she had worked at Munger Moss Restaurant and at Shepherd Hills, Sands and Cloverleaf Motels.

Alma had professed her faith in Christ and was a longtime, active member of



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Hillcrest Baptist Church in Lebanon.

In her spare time she enjoyed playing cards with her caregivers and family. She also liked listening to Shorty's fiddle music. She loved her family dearly and especially enjoyed spending time with all of her grandchildren.

Alma was a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, great-great-grandmother, sister, aunt, and was a caring neighbor and friend. We celebrate her life and know that her family and friends will cherish the wonderful memories she create for them during her ninety-two years.

In her later years, Alma was cared for by six dedicated caregivers: Tami Sisco, Judy Rogers, Miranda Herrill, Amanda Rogers-Meyers, Donna Garcia, Mandy Youngman, and Kim Leighton. The Miller family wishes to thank these ladies for their kind and caring ways. Memorial donations to the Gideon Bible Ministry may be left at the funeral home.






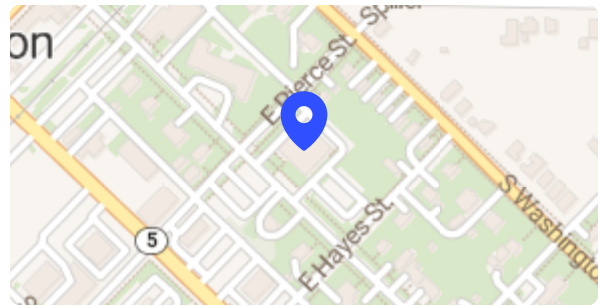
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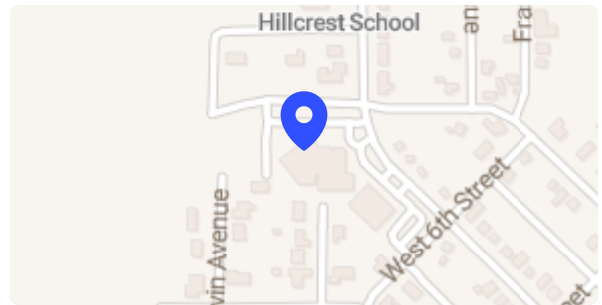
Visitation

-  **Monday**, October 20, 2014
-  6:00 PM - 7:30 PM CT
-  **Holman-Howe Funeral Homes Lebanon**
320 S. Adams Ave, Lebanon MO 65536




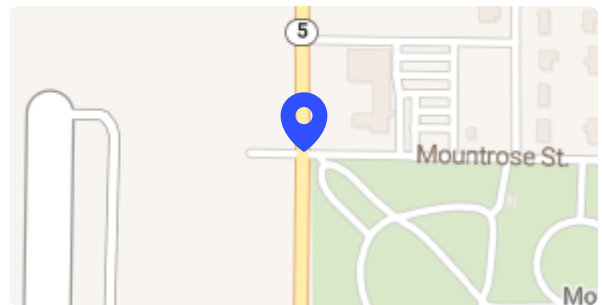
Service

-  **Tuesday**, October 21, 2014
-  2:00 PM CT
-  **Hillcrest Baptist Church**
399 Hoover Ave., Lebanon MO 65536



Cemetery Details

-  **Mount Rose Memorial Park**
100 Mountrose St., Lebanon MO





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TB

Taleah Brown posted:

I met Alma back in 1989, she was a weekly regular at my place of employment where my mother also worked and got the privilege to know her. We would also run into her and Howard at Country Kitchen often. She was never in too big a hurry to skip a hello and chat for a few. We hadn't seen her in many, many years but she was such a sweet woman both of us have never forgotten her and enjoyed visiting with her. I am glad memories of special people stay with us no matter how much time goes by. Taleah Brown and Carol Wheeler.

October 22 at 7:04 AM

LD

Linda Dowden lit a candle in honor of Alma.



October 22 at 6:27 AM

LD

Linda Dowden posted:

TO SHORT I WORKED WITH FERN YEARS AGO AT H & R BLOCK. I LOVED ALMA SO MUCH. I SEND ALL MY PRAYERS TO YOU FOR YOUR LOSS . LINDA DOWDEN

October 22 at 6:26 AM

RC

Rowena Calton posted:

My love & prayers are sent to you at this time. Mrs. Miller, was a very sweet lady, the Grandmother of my son-in-law, Jonathan. God bless each of you. Rowena (Tennison) Calton

October 21 at 5:17 AM

MP

Margaret Painter posted:

Please accept our sympathy in the passing of sweet Alma. We were so fortunate to know her as a Christian sister at Hillcrest Baptist, but also enjoyed many meals with her at Western Sizzlin after church services. We'll miss her smile and all of her wonderful stories. Our prayers are with you.
Lonnie & Margaret Painter

October 20 at 7:27 AM



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TA

Tami lit a candle in honor of Alma.

October 20 at 6:28 AM



KL

Kim Leighton posted:

I got to spend nearly a year with Alma. It started as a job but quickly became so much more for me. Alma was a precious soul that gave me a lot of inspiration and memories that I will treasure always. I looked at Alma as though she was family and I cared for her as such. I am very honored by the time I spent with her and can only imagine the many joys that her family has had with her their entire life. Rest sweetly my dear Ms Alma.

October 19 at 12:39 PM



Anonymous sent a Pink Potpourri Bouquet to the Miller (Lebanon) family.

October 19 at 11:43 AM



JR

Judy Rogers lit a candle in honor of Alma.

October 19 at 4:43 AM



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DM

Deborah Miller lit a candle in honor of Alma.

I'm sorry for the loss of your mother. I have fond memories of visits with all of you in Decatur. I'm glad I was able to visit with Aunt Alma and Uncle Howard in Indiana in 2003. Deborah

October 18 at 7:06 AM





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SC

Scott And Gaye Chastain posted:

Dear Miller Family, Alma was very special to us. Such a sweet and caring lady. Please accept our sincere sympathy for your loss.

October 17 at 7:28 AM

DE

Diane England lit a candle in honor of Alma.

Dear Miller Family and Friends, Please accept our deepest sympathy. Sincerely
Diane L England and Marian E England, Springfield Mo.

October 17 at 4:12 AM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Alma by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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