



Geraldine Ambrose Leding

June 20, 1931 - December 20, 2020

Geraldine Ambrose Rofkahr Leding, known to many as Curly, 89, of Altus, Arkansas, passed away on December 20, 2020. Geraldine was born on June 20, 1931 to Ferdinand and Marie Rofkahr. She was a cook at Wiederkehr's restaurant for many years until her retirement. Before Wiederkehr's, she was a homemaker. Geraldine Rofkahr married Richard Leding on October 25, 1952. They were married for 67 years. She loved her family, and instilled love into all of her friends and family members. She was beyond proud of her children and their accomplishments, and she loved visiting with all of her friends and family. She loved to be recognized from her time on the television show, "The Simple Life."

Geraldine was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Richard; her son Duane; her siblings Helen Bramlet, Mildred Baumgartner, Julius, Gervase, Ferdinand, and Gilbert Rofkahr; her granddaughter April Gilbert; her grandson Denver Leding; and other family and friends that went before her.

She is survived by four sons Rickey Leding and wife Angel of Altus, David Leding and wife Barbara of Yukon, Oklahoma, Martin Leding of Altus, Albert Leding and wife Janet of Altus; three daughters Judy Helmert of Ozark, Janice West and husband Clint of Altus, Roberta Dorrough and husband Sam of Ozark; twenty-two grandchildren; thirty-five great-grandchildren; one great great-grandchild; numerous nieces and nephews and many family and

friends.

Rosary service will be Tuesday December 22, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Brian Lachowsky, Sr. officiating.

Funeral Mass will be held Wednesday, December 23 at 10:00am at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Fr. Pius Ajunwa Iwu officiating under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Due to Covid-19, the family asks that only family be in the church during rosary and funeral mass. All are welcome to attend the graveside portion of the ceremony at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery, Altus, Arkansas

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. Mary's Catholic Church, Altus, Arkansas. The family of Geraldine A. Leding wishes to thank all of those who reached out with words of encouragement and love during these difficult times.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Cemetery

Altus, AR 72821

Previous Events

Graveside

DEC **23**. 10:45 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
5118 St. Mary's Lane
Altus, AR 72801

Tribute Wall



“ I absolutely adored Curly on *The Simple Life*. Rest easy Geraldine <3.

Vincent - June 30, 2023 at 05:22 PM



“ *Geraldine Ambrose Leding*

January 30, 2023 at 02:28 AM



“ I loved Curly so much. Me and my pal are crying right now thinking about her. Fly high angle



Niko - November 01, 2021 at 01:16 PM



“ I loved Curly and thought she was a wonderful person and grandmother from the first time I watched *The Simple Life*. Condolences to her family, my heart goes out to them. Rest In Peace, Curly, you will be missed.



Julia - September 10, 2021 at 07:32 AM

KS

“ *The entire nation Fell in love with Curly during her time in the Simple life !rest in peace*

Kenneth Smith - May 23, 2021 at 06:46 PM

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“ *The whole nation fell in Love with Curly during the simple life, Rest in peace*

Kenneth Smith - May 23, 2021 at 06:42 PM

RA

“ *Sorry for your loss* 🕯️



Rachel - February 14, 2021 at 07:09 PM

SD

“ *My mother was Louise Elser Dahlem. She always told me how she and Curly were friends when they were growing up in Altus. We visited several times with her and her husband when we would come to Altus, especially when we would eat at Wiederkehr's. So sorry for her loss at this time of the year. Prayer for your comfort in her loss.*

SUSAN DUBOIS - December 22, 2020 at 11:49 PM

JH

“ *So sorry to hear, always had a smile & words of encouragement when I would visit with her at ONH* 🙏

Jan Morton Hammond - December 22, 2020 at 10:55 AM

RL

“ *Ross Longbottom lit a candle in memory of Geraldine Ambrose Leding*



Ross Longbottom - December 22, 2020 at 01:39 AM

FE

“ *Fabien & Ross from London, England. purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Geraldine Ambrose Leding.*



Fabien & Ross from London, England. - December 20, 2020
at 05:00 PM