



Mildred Julianna Leding

December 15, 1925 - March 21, 2025

Mildred Julianna Leding, 99, of Altus, Arkansas died Friday, March 21, 2025 in Fort Smith, Arkansas. She was a homemaker and a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church. Mildred was a lifelong member of Daughters of Mary. She was born December 15, 1925 in Altus to Theodore and Josephine Timmerman Doerpinghaus. Mildred was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Norbert Leding; one son Perry Leding; one granddaughter Lori Dawn Leding; one son-in-law Junior Sparks; two brothers Johnny and Robert Doerpinghaus.

She is survived by six sons; Kenneth Leding of Van Buren, Arkansas, Larry Leding of Ozark, Arkansas, Jerry Leding and wife Kathy of Springdale, Arkansas, Bill "Buffalo" Leding and Mike Leding of Altus, Mark Leding and wife Sonja of Ozark; one daughter Donna Sparks of Russellville, Arkansas; 13 grandchildren Misty, Shane, Kelly, Jeff, Maranda, Greg, Juliana, Sarah, Anthony, Jayme, Adriana, Garrett and Jordan; 13 great grandchildren Jude, Payton, Brooks, Ava, Jack, Alice, Brylee, Noah, Emery, Evelyn, Ayden, Isadore and Hetepheres; one sister Betty Doerpinghaus of Ridgefield, Washington.

Rosary will be Saturday, March 29, 2025 at 10:00 AM at St. Mary's Catholic Church, 5118 St. Mary's Lane, Altus, Arkansas. Funeral Mass will be 10:30 A.M. immediately following Rosary with Father Jerome Kodell, OSB officiating with burial at St. Mary's Cemetery under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home of Ozark. Lunch will be held at St. Mary's Lawrence Hall 5118 St. Mary's Lane in Altus.

Serving as pallbearers will be her grandsons, Jeff Leding, Shane Leding, Greg Leding, Anthony Leding, Jordan Leding, and Garrett Leding. Serving as honorary pallbearers are Daughters of Mary.

In lieu of flowers memorials can be made to the St. Mary's Restoration Fund, 5118 St. Mary's Lane Altus, Arkansas 72821.

To leave an online memorial visit www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Cemetery

Altus, AR 72821

Previous Events

Rosary prior to service

MAR 29. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church
5118 St Marys Ln
Altus, AR 72821

Funeral Mass will follow

Funeral Mass

MAR 29. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Burial

MAR 29 (CT)

St. Mary's Cemetery
Altus, AR 72821

Lunch will follow in the St. Mary's Lawrence Hall for all family and friends.

Luncheon

MAR 29 (CT)

St. Mary's Lawrence Hall
5118 St. Mary's Lane
Altus, AR

All family and friends are welcome to attend. This will be held after the Service.

Tribute Wall

PT

“ *She was my mom's (Cecilia White Sorrill) best friend growing up in Altus. Good memories.*

patricia sorrill thompson - November 07, 2025 at 01:31 PM

LK

“ *Larry Kramer lit a candle in memory of Mildred Leding*



Larry Kramer - March 27, 2025 at 11:33 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mildred Julianna Leding.*



March 27, 2025 at 12:26 AM

DT

“ *When Ray and I moved from Texas to Altus Arkansas, Mildred was one of many who welcomed us with open arms. I felt very at home there. I saw Mildred at every function the church had always smiling and chatting with everyone. Rest in Peace my friend
My prayers for the family.
In sympathy, Dorothy Thompson*

Dorothy Thompson - March 26, 2025 at 01:09 AM

BW

“ *Buff and family,
So sorry to hear about Mildred. She was one of my favorite persons to talk with.
Always friendly and welcoming. Our condolences and prayers for all.*

Brenda Eveld Williams - March 25, 2025 at 11:38 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mildred Julianna Leding.*



March 24, 2025 at 11:06 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mildred Julianna Leding.

March 24, 2025 at 11:06 PM

LB

“ *Fond memories of a sweet lady who I have known almost all of my almost 80 years.*
Lucy Summers Banhart

Lucy Banhart - March 24, 2025 at 10:06 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mildred Julianna Leding.*



March 23, 2025 at 11:53 PM