



## Virginia "Auntie" Rose Leitner

February 02, 1915 - March 03, 2022

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Virginia "Auntie" Rose Leitner, passed away on March 3, 2022 at the age of 107. Virginia was born in St. Louis on February 2, 1915, to Antonio and Meri Balsano. She was preceded in death by two husbands, John B. Davis and Francis L. Leitner; her parents; and siblings James (Louise) Balsano, Angeline (Salvatore) Gambino, Josephine Balsano; and one niece Constance (William) Caudle.

Loving aunt of Marie (Louis) Flaker, Joseph (Agatha) Gambino, Anthony (Carole) Gambino, and Salvatore (Carol) Gambino. Dear great aunt, great-great aunt, great-great-great aunt, step mother, cousin, and friend to everyone she met.

Virginia worked at Grady Manufacturing stamping the Rawling name on finished baseballs. She held that position until she married her husband John Davis. During their married life, they owned a sailboat, horses, restored a 1916 Dorris, and were members of a gun club. After John's passing in 1968, Virginia went to work at Ladue Florist as a floral designer. She retired when she married Frank Leitner.

Virginia and Frank lived in her farmhouse on Old Jamestown Road and also owned a trailer in Greenville MO. Greenville was their get-away where they enjoyed meeting new friends, fishing and visiting flea markets.

Virginia enjoyed many hobbies in her lifetime including reading, painting, gardening, crocheting, knitting, sewing, playing the piano and harpsichord. In her later years, Virginia was involved in a kitchen band and optimist group at the retirement center.

Virginia greatest accomplishments; 2011 oldest artist to exhibit at the St. Peters Culture Art Center, 2012 recipient of "Ageless Remarkable St. Louisans", 2017 participated in the Ms. Missouri Senior America pageant.

Virginia was a very dynamic woman who was an inspiration to everyone she met. Her passion for life was a lesson for all who loved her. She will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

In lieu of flowers, donations to Marygrove, 2705 Mullanphy Lane, Florissant, MO 63031.

Visitation

Hutchens Mortuary & Cremation Center

675 Graham Road

Florissant, MO 63031

Tuesday 3/8, 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

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Wednesday 3/9, 9:30 am - 10:30 am

Service  
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675 Graham Road  
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Wednesday 3/9, 10:30 am  
Cemetery  
Location Not Available  
Wednesday 3/9, 11:30 am  
Cold Water Cemetery

15290 Old Halls Ferry Road

Florissant, MO 63034