



## Frances Elkins

November 5, 1924 - December 21, 2021

Mrs. Frances Elkins, 97, of Holden, died peacefully at her home on Tuesday, December 21, 2021. Born in Elm, Frances attended Lincoln #100 school and Holden. She attended 3 years of college at CMSTC. She began teaching in the same school that she attended when she was a child. She taught until her marriage to Kenneth Elkins on April 25, 1948. For the next 41 years, Frances ran the Elkins' household. When her oldest son left for Vietnam and her youngest son started first grade, she took a job outside of the home. For the next 25 years she worked at the Holden Garment Factory until they closed their doors. Her next adventure started at Cast Funeral home until she retired 10 years later at the age of 90!

Frances was a lifelong member of the First Christian Church. She faithfully attended church each Sunday. She enjoyed being active in various community activities and clubs.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Kenneth "Chub" Elkins of 49 years; one son, Gene Elkins; and one sister, Mary Lou Brown.

Survivors include two sons, Curt (Edie) Elkins of Marshfield, MO and Rex (Vickie) Elkins of Holden; two daughters, Nancy (David) Mense of Liberty, MO and Janet (Richard) Heter of Holden; daughter-in-law, Doreen Elkins of Opelousaas, LA; 14 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren with a multitude of nieces, nephews and many friends.

A celebration of life for Frances will be held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, December 28, 2021 at the First Christian Church 301 Main St. Holden, MO.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Christian Church in Holden.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

DEC **28**. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (cst)

First Christian Church  
301 South Main  
Holden, MO 64040

# Tribute Wall

CO

“ *Connie lit a candle in memory of Frances Elkins*



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**Connie** - January 05, 2022 at 08:52 PM

KE

“ *Aunt Frances was the most hospitable lady. She always made you feel her home was your home. I have fond memories of her big, white farmhouse nestled under the tall trees with the breeze pushing under and through the open windows. Every time I visited, her home was full of family, love, and food, and Aunt Frances was always checking up to make sure you felt welcome. I'm sure she's taken up the same practice in heaven with Uncle Chub at her side. Rest with the Lord wonderful lady - you have left behind a legacy of wonderful, loving children and extended family. Job well done "Good and Faithful Servant."*

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**Kathie Bowman Estrada** - January 04, 2022 at 05:06 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Frances Elkins.*



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December 28, 2021 at 07:20 PM

JW

“ I’m so sorry for your loss. It seems like there should be more to say. It’s obvious that she was very special to many people and that she will be missed by all of them. May each person find comfort in good memories.

*Joyce Withrow White*

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**Joyce Withrow White** - December 28, 2021 at 09:25 AM

LB

“ I remember how I enjoyed going over to the Elkins' home to play school with Nancy or go to a 4 H meeting. I enjoyed seeing her or her family when they came over to pick up eggs. My thoughts and sympathy to the family.

*Linda Lou Jennings Brown*

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**Linda Lou Jennings Brown** - December 27, 2021 at 05:05 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Frances Elkins.



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December 27, 2021 at 01:29 PM

MM

“ Mrs. Frances was a grand lady and I remember her as a friend of 4-H being inducted into the Missouri 4-H Hall of Fame. My thoughts and sympathy are with the family.

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**Marla Tobin, MD** - December 26, 2021 at 02:48 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. My thoughts & prayers go out to the entire family 🙏*  
*Henry Yeager*

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**Chris Yeager** - December 23, 2021 at 07:19 PM

MW

“ *Marty and Terrie Williams purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Frances Elkins.*



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**Marty and Terrie Williams** - December 23, 2021 at 08:17 AM

KC

“ *I am saddened to learn of Frances' passing. She was such a lovely and kind lady! She will be terribly missed.*



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**Kari Collett** - December 22, 2021 at 11:02 PM

KB

“ *So sad to hear of Frances' passing. She was so much fun in Tai Chi class, and was an active member of the Holden Shakespeare Club. she read every book and had an amazing ability to recall the contents of each work. Such a bright, witty, fun, positive woman. Her star will shine brightly in the Heavens eternally.*

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**Katy Barrett** - December 22, 2021 at 06:55 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Frances Elkins.*



December 22, 2021 at 05:50 PM



“ *Peace and comfort to all of Frances family, always a joy to be around.*

**Ed McCloud** - December 22, 2021 at 03:02 PM



“ *I thought the world of Frances, me n her had a lot of laughs when I got older, about Nancy n I cheerleading together, etc. She was loved n loved all her kids, She will be missed. RIP Frances*

**Diana Bachler Romans** - December 22, 2021 at 02:30 PM



“ *Ron and Debi Aldrich purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Frances Elkins.*



**Ron and Debi Aldrich** - December 22, 2021 at 01:52 PM

LE

“ *Lovely & Bill Elkins purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Frances Elkins.*



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**Lovely & Bill Elkins** - December 22, 2021 at 01:16 PM

RW

“ *Frances was a sweet and caring person inside and out. My condolences go out to her family. I enjoyed playing cards with her at Senior Center. She always asked about what quilt I was making I shall miss her.*

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**Reverend Lynn Williams-Hufft** - December 22, 2021 at 12:12 PM

RW

“ *Reverend Lynn Williams-Hufft lit a candle in memory of Frances Elkins*



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**Reverend Lynn Williams-Hufft** - December 22, 2021 at 12:08 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Frances Elkins.*



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December 22, 2021 at 11:31 AM

DC

“ I do not have one particular memory, I know each time I saw Frances it was a lovely meeting. She was one of the most gracious and joyful woman that I've ever known. She displayed such greatfullness for her blessings always. God will welcome her for sure. Donna Chaney

Donna Chaney - December 22, 2021 at 10:35 AM

JH

Much sympathy to all the Elkins family. Guy was a life-long friend of the family, growing up with the kids in school, bus, neighborhood, 4-H, haying, and talking horses with Chub. I, too, loved and appreciated them as the years went by. Frances was always a hard-working, sweet, caring lady who never forgot all those memories and good times. May you, as her family, have the peace of God that passeth all understanding! Janet Houx

Janet Houx - December 23, 2021 at 12:48 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Frances Elkins.



December 22, 2021 at 10:16 AM

DH

“ Dennis Huffman purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Frances Elkins.



Dennis Huffman - December 22, 2021 at 09:49 AM