

## NEWSLETTER / NEWS RELEASE From the Office of the Mayor

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**AUGUST 26, 2019** 

A PLAQUE DEDICATION FOR THE LATE GRACE ZYKAN
IS SET FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup> IN FRONT OF 525 RUE ST. FRANCOIS
BEFORE THE START OF THE LAST WEDNESDAY NIGHT OUT FESTIVITIES



Mayor Lowery is pleased to announce that the City along with Old Town Partners will be hosting a dedication to unveil a plaque in honor of the late Grace Zykan. This will be the 41<sup>st</sup> Walk through History plaque in honor of someone who has made a valuable contribution to the City of Florissant. The ceremony will be held on Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 p.m. in front of 525 rue St. Francois. The plaque dedication will take place before the start of the last Wednesday Night Out festivities which is being sponsored by Hendel's Café which will be a street party and jazz fest.

Grace Ebbesmeyer was born the second youngest of nine. She married Don Zykan, Sr. in May of 1951 where Grace and Don, Sr. raised five children. Grace was an Officer & Owner of the Zykan Brothers Family Business. She was named Chamber Outstanding Person of the Year in 2006. She also was the receiver of the Christian Hospital Paul Detrick Award. She was very active in the community and was a member of many local organizations including The Greater North County Chamber of Commerce, North County Incorporated, Florissant Old Town Partners and the Soroptimist International of St. Louis where she was the past president for both of these organizations, Marygrove, Christian Hospital Foundation, Valley Industries and TEAM which was very near and dear to her heart. "Amazing Grace" which everyone would call her loved her huge family and countless number of friends. She generously contributed her time and talents to the community for decades. Grace touched the lives of many and was an inspiration to all.