

Your local florist for every occasion



Katie Burns, owner

For more than 16 years, third-generation florist Katie Burns has owned and operated **Zengel's Flowers and Gifts**, carrying forward a trusted local name while focusing on service and design.

Katie's grandfather was a florist dating back to WWII. He passed his knowledge on to her mom, and she passed all of that knowledge on to Katie. Her mom still works with her at the shop.

Katie purchased Zengel's Florist from Rich Zengel, who opened the business in 1969. She worked with him briefly and

did not want to see the flower shop close after his retirement.

Last year Zengel's Flowers moved from its longtime Chesterfield location to a newly purchased, converted home in Ballwin. The larger space has allowed the shop to expand its offerings.

"We're able to bring in more boutique-style gift items," Katie said, giving customers a place to "pop in and grab a gift," not just flowers.

Freshness and quality are central to the business. Katie uses seasonal and local flowers whenever possible.

"We use lots of different greenery, textures and unique flowers," Katie said.

Zengel's Flowers creates arrangements for everyday occasions, sympathy, weddings and events, working with all budgets. What distinguishes the shop, Katie said, is its hands-on service.

"When you call our shop, you actually talk to the designer," she said. "We help you create what you're looking for, put it together and deliver it on time at a fair price."

The shop does not use wire services, relying instead on loyal customers.

"We want people to come back over and over again," she said.



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