



## Ethel McCrite

January 21, 1926 - November 2, 2023

IN MEMORY OF:

Ethel McCrite

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – TAMMS

420 Front Street, Tamms, Illinois

Ethel McCrite, 97, of Cape Girardeau formerly of Olive Branch passed away Thursday, Nov. 2, 2023 at Ratliff Care Center in Cape Girardeau, MO.

She was born Jan. 21, 1926 in Essex, Missouri to the late Arthur Glen and Opal Irene Ross Bridges.

Ethel and Harley “Toad” McCrite were married Feb. 8, 1947. He preceded her in death Dec. 22, 2010.

Ethel was a cook at Thebes High School and an aid at Olive Branch. She then went to work as a fabric cutter for Ralph Edwards Sportswear in Cape Girardeau.

She was a member of Sandy Creek Baptist Church since 1947 and was also a member of the Horseshoe Lake Chamber of Commerce.

She is survived by her son, Mike (Janelle) McCrite of Cape Girardeau; grandson, Nicholas McCrite of Cape Girardeau; brother, James (Joan) Bridges of Falston, Maryland; sister, Linda (Allen) Cooper of Troy, Missouri; half-sister, Sandra Bridges Riley of Hohenwald, TN; brother-in-law, Bob Thornhill of Moscow Mills, MO; sister-in-law, Jackie Bridges of Maryville, IL; one step-brother; several nieces, nephews, and other family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Harley; brother Tommy Bridges and sisters Ruth Greenley, Louise Thornhill, and Irene Light; half-brother, Jerry Glenn Bridges; two step brothers and one step sister.

Visitation will be Monday, Nov. 6, 2023 from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. at Crain Funeral Home- Tamms. Funeral service will follow at 1:00 p.m. at the funeral home with Robin Reid officiating.

Burial will take place at McCrite Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks with gratitude that memorial contributions be made to McCrite Cemetery.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Crain Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## McCrite Cemetery

Tamms, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 6. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Tamms  
420 Front St.  
Tamms, IL 62988  
(618) 833-2176  
crain@crainsonline.com

## Funeral Service

NOV 6. 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Tamms  
420 Front St.  
Tamms, IL 62988  
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## Interment

NOV 6. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

McCrite Cemetery  
Tamms, IL



# Tribute Wall



“ *Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ethel McCrite.*



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November 04, 2023 at 07:31 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ethel McCrite.*



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November 04, 2023 at 07:26 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Ethel McCrite.*



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November 03, 2023 at 08:35 PM

JT

“ She was one of the sweetest women I've ever known, always thinking of others first. . She always had a cup of hot chocolate ready for all of us kids after trail rides and horse shows that Toad was the chaperone for. She loved her family more than anything and was a perfect example of what a mother is supposed to be. I will miss her smile and kind heart. She was a great lady and one of the pillars of our community, loved by many.



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**Julia Duff Thrower** - November 03, 2023 at 07:22 PM

JC

“ James, Joan, Pam, Carol & Cindy purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Ethel McCrite.



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**James, Joan, Pam, Carol & Cindy** - November 03, 2023 at 06:49 PM