



Hattie L. McKee

August 30, 1925 - July 4, 2025

IN MEMORY OF:

Hattie L. McKee

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – CAPE GIRARDEAU

829 North West End Boulevard, Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Our beloved mother, Hattie L. (Brown) McKee, age 99, of Thebes, passed away on Friday, July 4, 2025, at Mercy Hospital Southeast with her family by her side.

She was born on August 30, 1925, to the late Albert and Ella (Suiter) Brown in Alexander County, Illinois. She married Vernon Frederick McKee on January 22, 1944, and they were blessed with 67 years together before his passing in 2011.

Hattie farmed alongside her husband for many years and she always had a large summer garden. She also was a wonderful cook and always made sure that no one left her table hungry or without a glass of fresh sweet tea.

Hattie and Vernon were baptized through Beech Grove Baptist Church in rural Thebes many years ago and later were members of New Life Fellowship Church and Calvary Temple in Cape Girardeau.

Along with her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by a son, Vernon Eugene "Gene" McKee; a brother, Frank (Alma and Lorain) Brown; two sisters, Alice (Mack) Wilder and Jane (Robert) Dettenbach; and three infant siblings.

She is survived by two daughters, Gloria (Larry) Vaughn and Beverly Simmons; five grandchildren, Steven McKee, David (Brenda) McKee, Lyndal Vaughn, Carmen Birk, and Kyle Birk; six great grandchildren, Justin McKee, Megan (Tyler Hale) McKee, Peyton Vaughn, Mason Vaughn, Breyden Martin and Bracelee Martin; three great-great grandchildren, Emilee Moore, Grayson Moore, and Ashlynn Hale; and several nieces and nephews.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the physicians, caregivers and staff at Mercy Hospital Southeast, The Providence Place, and Heartland Care and Rehabilitation Center for their compassionate care.

A memorial service honoring Hattie will be held on Friday, July 18, 2025, at 1:00 PM, at Crain Funeral Home located at 829 North West End Boulevard in Cape Girardeau, MO.

Burial will take place at a later date at Rose Hill Cemetery in Thebes, Illinois.

Crain Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Cape Girardeau is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Rose Hill Cemetery

Thebes, IL

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUL 18. 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM (cst)

Crain Funeral Home - Cape Girardeau
829 N. West End Blvd
(4 blocks north of Southeast Hospital)
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Tribute Wall



“ 8" Angel holding Dove was purchased for the family of Hattie L. McKee.



July 18, 2025 at 02:13 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Hattie L. McKee.



July 17, 2025 at 04:07 PM



“ Alan and Cona Nanney purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Hattie L. McKee.



Alan and Cona Nanney - July 09, 2025 at 09:17 AM