



Lillie Susan McGowan

November 12, 1932 - July 27, 2022

Lillie Susan (Baker) McGowan, 89, passed from this life at her home in Murphysboro, Illinois on Wednesday, July 27, 2022.

Lillie was born November 12, 1932, in Barwick Kentucky to Thomas and Mary Jane (Neace) Baker.

She met her lifelong love Robert E. McGowan, and they married September 16, 1950 in Barwick, Kentucky.

Lillie accepted Jesus as her personal savior at a young age and lived her life showing God's love to all. She attended the First Church of the Nazarene of Murphysboro, and Murdale Baptist Church in Carbondale. Lillie was a wonderful homemaker, and enjoyed being outdoors gardening, working in her vegetable and flower gardens. She was a great cook and seamstress. She enjoyed reading, especially her Bible.

Lillie is survived by her husband Robert and five children, Patricia (Edward) Arbiter of Murphysboro; Pamela Tippy Messer (Dale) Messer of Iowa; Paula (Charles) McNeill of Murphysboro; Perry (Angela) McGowan of Missouri; Peggy (Bryan) Schulze of Murphysboro. She is also survived by 9 grandchildren, Nathan (Danielle) Tippy, Samantha (Kirk) Jones, Veronica

(Shane) Hinkle, Benjamin (Rose) Tippy, Matthew Heine, Sarah and Susannah McGowan, Jasmine and Jessie Schulze. She leaves 6 great grandchildren: David, Debbie, Joshua, Rebecca, and Johnathan Tippy, and Emily Jones. She is survived by 3 sisters: Stella Etheridge, Mary Magdeline White, Bobbie Jo Filar, and 2 brothers, George (Rhonda) Baker, and Eddie (Sue) Baker, and many nieces and nephews.

Her parents Mary Jane and Thomas Baker preceded her in death along with 6 brothers, Willardean, Warneleen, Taylor, William, Tommy Gene, and Isaac Baker, and one sister Hazel Zeabold.

Lillie's funeral service will be held at Pettett Funeral Home, in Murphysboro, on Monday, August 1 with Dr. David Sheppard officiating. Visitation will be from 9:00am to 11:00am at the funeral home until time of service at 11:00 am. Entombment will be at Pleasant Grove Memorial Park in Murphysboro.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of Southern Illinois, Murphysboro Church of the Nazarene, Murdale Baptist Church.

The family of Lillie McGowan want to thank Hospice of Southern Illinois and Carbondale Memorial Hospital for being there for them in their time of need.

For more information, please visit pettettfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Crain Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Lillie Susan McGowan*



Crain Funeral Home - July 27, 2022 at 12:00 AM



“ *Lillie Susan McGowan*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM

DH

“ Patricia - I am so very sorry to read about your sweet mama! To lose my parents - well, it's been one of the most difficult things to go through in my life. They are the people who would love me always - unconditionally. The first word that came to my mind after Daddy (Kenneth) went to Heaven was "orphan". I was an orphan! It was the most empty and hollow that I had ever felt in my life. I am so very thankful that God has given both of us (you and me) wonderful parents! You still have your precious daddy, and I know that you will treasure each moment that you have in the future. But, I have learned, you must also treasure those precious memories of your sweet mama until you get to see her again. There will be days that are so hard. Some of them will be difficult to get out of bed...but, you will find a way. Laugh with your memories...your mama would want you to do that. She would not (I don't believe) want you to be sad. She is rejoicing right now. She is getting to see people that she has missed for a long time. She is also waiting for you, and she will be there with open arms to hold you again when it comes your time to make the journey to Heaven. God bless you and yours. All of you are in my prayers. If you need anything, please let me know. Love always!! P.S.:: (And, as I told you, even though I never met your mama in person, she was pretty cool to me...she and your daddy picked a wonderful day to get married (my birthday)!) LOL!!

Dixie Hammonds-Butts - August 01, 2022 at 01:48 PM

BF

“ To the most wonderful sister in the world. Love you with all my heart. Will miss you.

Bobbie Jo Filar - July 31, 2022 at 01:39 PM