



Gloria Jean McDowell

February 11, 1931 - December 2, 2016

Gloria “Jean” McDowell, age 85, of Bradley, died on Friday, December 2, 2016 at home. Jean was born on February 11, 1931 to Lemuel and Mary “Violet” (Carter) Karnes in Hamilton County, IL. She married Raymond McDowell on October 2, 1951. She was an Avon Representative for over 25 years. She was a member of the Church of God in Manteno. She enjoyed embroidering, sewing, reading and collecting angels.

Jean is survived by three daughters, Brenda (Marc) Currie of Mechanic Falls, ME, Rebecca McDowell of Bourbonnais, IL and Tammy (Morgan) Galik of Kankakee, IL; one son, Grant (Nancy) McDowell of Wilmington, IL; 14 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Joyce DeVoney of Bourbonnais, IL and Janice (David) Harrison of Bourbonnais, IL; three brothers, Conard (Marie) Karnes of Logan, IL, Edward (Carol) Karnes of Stevenson, AL and Alfred (Sharon) Karnes of WA and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, Gary; one sister, Muriel Smith; one brother, Fred Karnes; one infant brother, Buriel and one infant sister, Leda.

Visitation will be on Wednesday, December 7, 2016 at Schreffler Funeral Home’s Kankakee Chapel from 9:00 a.m. until the time of Jean’s service at 11:00 a.m. Burial will immediately follow at Kankakee Memorial Gardens, Aroma Township.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley.

Please visit www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com where you can sign Jean's online guestbook.

Cemetery Details

Kankakee Memorial Gardens

15 South 3000 E. Rd.
Kankakee, IL 60901

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 7. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Schreffler Funeral Home - Kankakee Chapel
1900 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-2421
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Funeral Service

DEC 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Gloria Jean McDowell*

February 03, 2023 at 04:30 AM



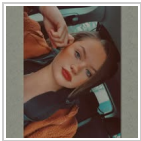
“ *Randy, and family, I am so sorry to hear of Jean's passing. I am also sorry that I could not be there. Please accept our heart felt sympathy. May God bring comfort and strength during this trying time. Our prayers are with all of you.*

Jim Thompson - December 08, 2016 at 09:44 PM



“ *Your family has my sympathy at this difficult time.*

Carol Fritz (Avon Rep) - December 06, 2016 at 10:58 AM



“ *Grandma, we will miss you so much. I just wanna thank you for everything you have done for me. All the wonderful memories I have with you I will always cherish. I love you so much.*

Ashley Elizabeth - December 05, 2016 at 08:59 PM

ND

“ Even though I was so far away, you never forgot about me. Without you I wouldn't have known what my siblings looked like or their children, you always kept me in the loop. I would have not had presents to open on Christmas morning every year if it wasn't for you. You made my Christmas every year. I know after dad passed we didn't stay in contact which breaks my heart. I wish I had been able to come kiss you good bye. I'm happy I got to hug grandpa and tell him I love him. I know your in a better place and with your son. Give him a hug for me. I love you grandma. 💜

Nancy Dewaele - December 04, 2016 at 02:35 PM

RM

“ Mom, I'm so blessed to have been able to spend extra time with you over the last several months, and especially in the last week of your life. I am extra blessed to have been at your bedside when Jesus took your hand and led you home. It's hard to imagine our lives without you, but as we promised, we will take care of each other and hold you dear in our memories. I love you, Mom.

Rebecca McDowell - December 04, 2016 at 12:29 PM

JA

“ Grandma, thank you for the beautiful memories. Thirty-four years with you was not enough...until we meet again. We will take good care of grandpa for you. Rest in peace beautiful angel.

Jamie - December 04, 2016 at 09:51 AM

BK

I know there is a special place set for her. Rest in beautiful peace Aunt Jean.

Betty Jean Karnes - December 04, 2016 at 11:32 AM

KB

Prayers .

kathy berg - December 04, 2016 at 03:58 PM

JH

Jean you were my Sister-Mom, when you were 17 yrs. old you put my first diaper on me. And you were always there when I needed you. You will always live in my heart.

Janice Harrison - December 06, 2016 at 11:22 AM