



## Ellen Marie McKee

March 15, 1955 - June 21, 2021

Ellen Marie McKee passed away on Monday, June 21, 2021, at the age of 66. She was born in Cairo, Illinois on March 15, 1955, to Clinton Edward and Waneeta Marie (Dillman) Pearman.

Ellen was born and raised in Illinois where she would meet and marry the love of her life, Gary McKee on October 05, 1973; this union was blessed with two children.

Ellen and Gary moved to St. James, Missouri in 2003; they were members of the St. James Assembly of God Church. Ellen worked at Al West Nissan until her retirement. Once retired, she spent her days camping, fishing, baking and tending to her gardens. Her greatest joys were her children and grandchildren, she loved them all so much. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend who will be greatly missed by all that knew and loved her.

Ellen is survived by her loving husband of forty-seven years, Gary McKee of St. James, Missouri; children, Sheryl McKee of Rolla, Missouri and Ryan (Sarah) McKee of St. James, Missouri; mother, Waneeta Pearman of Rolla, Missouri; grandchildren, Ashton Goetz, Caleb Derrick, Abigail McKee and Gavin McKee; brother, Clint Ed (Pat) Pearman of Granite City, Illinois.

Ellen was preceded in death by her father, Clinton Pearman; sister, Lennie Rue Pearman; granddaughter, Miya Goetz.

Funeral services for Ellen McKee will be held at 11:00AM on Thursday, June 24, 2021, at the Rolla Chapel of the James and Gahr Mortuary, Rolla, Missouri

with Mark Thrasher officiating. Interment will be in the St. James City Cemetery, St. James, Missouri. A visitation for family and friends will be held from 5:00PM – 7:00PM on Wednesday, June 23, 2021, at the Rolla Chapel of the James and Gahr Mortuary, Rolla, Missouri. Memorials are suggested to the Russell House. Cards are available at all James and Gahr locations. For online condolences please visit [www.jamesgharmortuary.com](http://www.jamesgharmortuary.com)

# Cemetery Details

**St. James Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

**JUN 23.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

James & Gahr Mortuary - Rolla  
1651 E. Hwy 72  
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### Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Ellen Marie McKee*

January 30, 2023 at 04:37 AM



“ *Ellen Marie McKee*

January 30, 2023 at 02:54 AM



“ *Ellen will be forever missed. Sheryl, I am sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. She meant the world to me as your family does. Jenn Belfiore*



**Jennifer Belfiore** - June 24, 2021 at 01:06 PM



“ *I was planning a visit to Ellen soon to reflect on some of our childhood memories and see my sweet Aunt Waneeta. I loved Uncle Clinton and Waneeta so growing up in Southern Illinois. I always enjoyed visits from them because Ellen was such a joy to be around. She was so much like her mother in spirit. So kind and just full of compassion. I will always regret not reconnecting with her other than friendship on social media. Praying for her precious family. We will have a great reunion soon of cousins in Heaven.*

**Della Petty** - June 24, 2021 at 12:06 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ellen Marie McKee.*



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June 24, 2021 at 09:58 AM



“ *We will so miss Ellen. It was a joy to have her and the family in our church in Edwardsville, IL. Prayers for the family.  
Rev. and Mrs. Richard L. Crabb*

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**Deborah Thrasher Crabb** - June 24, 2021 at 09:45 AM



“ *The Townsend Family purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Ellen Marie McKee.*



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**The Townsend Family** - June 23, 2021 at 11:21 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ellen Marie McKee.*



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June 23, 2021 at 08:48 AM

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“ *She was such a joy to be around and loved to laugh and have a good time. She will be missed greatly and we are praying for the family in the days ahead. Her going was too sudden but God needed her in heaven to sing for him and praise him til his son returns. We will meet again just over in the Glory land soon what a reunion that will be.* ”



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**Lana Haldeman** - June 23, 2021 at 07:28 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Ellen Marie McKee.* ”



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June 23, 2021 at 12:24 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Ellen Marie McKee.* ”



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June 22, 2021 at 05:11 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Ellen Marie McKee.*



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June 22, 2021 at 02:29 PM