



Joyce McKenzie

August 31, 1942 - September 19, 2024

Joyce Andrews McKenzie, 82, of Wynne, passed away on Thursday, September 19, 2024, at Flo and Phil Jones Hospice House in Jonesboro. She was born August 31, 1942, in Morrilton, Conway County, Arkansas, to Floyd and Lucy Ridling Andrews. When she was a young child, her dad nicknamed her “Big Doll” and that nickname followed her throughout her lifetime.

Joyce worked as a secretary in Little Rock for many years in her young adult life. She married Donald McKenzie in 1976 in Little Rock and eventually made their home in Don’s hometown of Wynne. In later years she and Don operated their business together, Southwest Safe Driving, until his death in 2018.

Joyce loved God and was a Christian woman. She was always soft spoken, never raising her voice in anger and never speaking ill of others. She was meek and humble, graceful and beautiful and everything a Christian woman should be. She loved her family and her family loved her. She looked forward to annual family reunions, which were some of the happiest times, spending time with her children, grandchildren, siblings, nieces and nephews. She also enjoyed fishing with Don in their younger years and loved telling their fish stories.

Joyce was preceded in death by her husband, Don McKenzie, her parents, Floyd and Lucy Andrews, sister Pat Sims and daughter-in-law Sandy Gray. She is survived by sons, Ricky Gray of Jacksonville, Mike Gray of Searcy and Steve Gray of Orlando, Florida, brothers, Doyle Andrews of North Little Rock, Larry Andrews of Jacksonville and Rommie Andrews of Sherwood, sisters,

Nova Worthington of Bryant and Charlene Goss of Burlington, Kentucky, and grandchildren, Nicki, Brittany, Kayla, Sean, Angie, Daniel and Matthew, and fourteen (14) great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held on Monday, September 23, 2024, at Kernodle Funeral Home from 10 to 11 with graveside services following at Cogbill Cemetery at 11.

Cemetery Details

Cogbill Cemetery

Wynne, AR

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 23. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Kernodle Funeral Home
315-325 E. Union Avenue
Wynne, AR 72396
(870) 238-2323
kernodlefuneralhome@gmail.com
<https://www.kernodlefh.com/>

Graveside service

SEP 23. 11:00 AM (CT)

Cogbill Cemetery
Wynne, AR

Tribute Wall

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“ *Family and friends are in our thoughts and prayers today. Joyce is loved by so many and the best Mother N Law a girl could ever ask for.. For ever our Mississippi Mamaw*

Tronia - September 23, 2024 at 09:52 AM



“ *I've watched you through all these years, admired you, learned from you and wished I could be more like you. If only we could all be more like you, imagine what a better place this world would be. Sure do love you. Missing you already. Your sister-in-law, Kathy Andrews*

Kathy Andrews - September 22, 2024 at 08:20 PM

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“ *Joyce, we could not have asked for a better sister. Our memories of you throughout the years will always be cherished. I am thankful that you were my big sister. We're going to miss you so much. Your little brother, Larry Andrews*

Larry Andrews - September 22, 2024 at 10:07 AM

JG

“ *I had the pleasure of working with Joyce at United Medical. She was so gentle, sweet and kind. One of my favorite soup recipes is from her collection. Condolences to all the family. Joanna Gahr*

Joanna Gahr - September 20, 2024 at 10:49 PM

JN

“ *JW Nichols purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Joyce McKenzie.*



JW Nichols - September 20, 2024 at 03:00 PM