



Ruth Jeanet McGee

March 8, 1925 - April 19, 2013

Ruth Jeanet McGee, age 88 of Albia, died Friday, April 19, 2013, at Monroe Care Center in Albia.

Ruth was born March 8, 1925, to William Henry and Elizabeth (Smith) Smith in Coalfield, Iowa. She married Donald E. McGee November 18, 1941 in Unionville, MO. They shared 60 years together before he preceded her in death on January 19, 2002.

Ruth grew up and attended school in Avery. She had many titles including, farm wife, homemaker, grandmother, great grandmother, great-great grandmother, and most important of all, Donald's soul mate.

Ruth was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Albia. She always liked being outside, taking care of her garden, mowing the yard, planting flowers, and going to the farm with Donald. Not only did she also love playing cards and spending time with her family and grandchildren, Ruth really enjoyed valuable time spent with her friends and neighbors.

Ruth is survived by four children, Michael (Jean) McGee of Albia, James (Mary) McGee of Albia, John (Shirley) McGee of Reed Springs, MO, and Ruth Ann McGee of Albia; seven grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; three step-great grandchildren; a great-great grandchild;

and a brother, Albert (Mary) Smith of Albia.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents; husband; a son, Donald; and eight siblings, Jerald, David, Edna, Pete, Beatrice, Robert, and two siblings in infancy.

Funeral services will be 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, April 23, 2013, at Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Fr. Michael E. Volkmer, C.P.P.S. officiating. Burial will be in Oak View Cemetery in Albia.

Visitation will be 3-8 p.m., Monday, April 22, 2013, at Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Ruth's family present from 6-8 p.m. Monday evening.

An open memorial has been established in Ruth's name.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Jeanet McGee*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Ruth Jeanet McGee*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *Dear Family, I am so sorry to read of your loss of Ruth McGee of Albia. Thanks to John P. O'Brien, I do see the passing of my McGee-Murphy family in Iowa.*

My grandparents were Cornelius Michael McGee and Martha Alice Murphy, brother and sister of Edward McGee and Margaret Murphy, grandparents of Donald McGee. My grandparents moved from Melrose to Oklahoma Territory in 1895. I have been to Melrose and Albia and other Iowa cities over the years and enjoyed meeting my extended family of relatives.

Again, I am so sorry to read of your loss and may God bless you as you grieve for Ruth.

Donna McGee Jones

Donna McGee Jones - Broken Arrow, OK - cousin to Donald Eugene McGee -
May 09, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ *My mother, Elizabeth Lahart, age 93, fondly remembers being a neighbor of your mom out east of Alibia in the 1940's.*

Johnny, Ruth, Frank Lahart, and I all went to school together from 4th grade at Jefferson through high school graduation in 1974.

Ruth was a lovely lady and she leaves a lovely family.

All of you are in Mom's and my thoughts and prayers. God Bless!

Anne M. Lahart - Plano, TX - schoolmate of Johnny & Ruth - April 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ *To all the McGee children:*

We send our heartfelt condolences in the loss of a very wonderful woman, to say we will miss her is such in understatement. She welcomed us into the family all those many years ago and will remain in our hearts for ever. Loving, thoughtful and giving are just a few of the words to describe her. Being so far away was very difficult for us, but in our hearts are a lot of fond memories of our several visits to Iowa. May you all find peace in the knowledge that she is sitting with Dad on the front porch of Heaven looking down on the family that they both loved. Hugs and Kisses to all.

Celeste,Anthony and Family

Celeste and Anthony Palumbo - Stratford, CT - "son and daughter" - April 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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PF

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Phyllis Kelsey - Eddyville, IA - friend - April 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

SI

“ Ruth was always a very kind and welcoming person. Her memories will always be cherished by me and my family.

Scarlett Salladay - Cincinnati, IA - April 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

Jl

“ *Ruth Ann,*

I am very sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

John Moses

John Moses - Ottumwa, IA - April 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ *So sorry to hear of your loss. Sending lots of hugs your way!*

Joanne Kurimski - April 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ *Hi Ruthann,*

I am sorry to hear about the death of your mother.

Tell me if there is anything I can do to help you through this very sad time.

Stop by my office for a visit or just to sit and do nothing.

My heart goes out to you...

Ann Clayton

Ann Clayton - Eddyville, IA - co-worker at Eddyville Cargill - April 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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Phylliis Kelsey - Eddyville, IA - friend - April 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PG

“ *I will miss. Love you. Pat.*

Patrick McGee - Deep River, IA - Grandson - April 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family in their time of grief.*

Richard and Janet Porter - Des Moines, IA - Jean MCGee is my sister - April 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

HN

“ *Aunt Ruth was truly a nice, sincere, caring person. I am glad I got to spend sometime with her talking about Old Times, while she was at the care center.*

*Love,
Hope (Smith) Brouk*

Hope Brouk - Clive, IA - Niece - April 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM

DN

“ *Aunt Ruth was always the one to go to when we needed to know something about the past or relatives. You will be missed.*

*Love
Diane and Phil*

Diane Whitson - Albia, IA - niece - April 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM