



Aileen Brown Kennedy

July 4, 1939 - June 24, 2026

Aileen Kennedy, age 86, of Kingston, TN passed away Wednesday, June 24, 2026 in Athens Tennessee. Aileen was a member of the Chapman Grove Church formerly known as Red Oak Baptist Indian Bluff Church.

Preceded in death by her husbands; Thomas Brown and James Kennedy. Parents, Nellie D. and Woodward Wilson. Brothers; Marvin Ray Wilson, and Augie Junior Wilson. Sisters-in-law; Kathryn H. Wilson, Darlene R. Wilson, Rachel R. Wilson and Joyce Wilson. Brother-in-law, Vestal Seeber. Son-in-law, Rodney B. Harrison. Daughter, Zelma Kennedy. Sons; Lowell, Leamon, Glenn, and Elmer Kennedy. Great niece, Emberly Nation. Great nephew Carson Morgan. Nephew, Lynn Seeber.

Survived by her daughters; Betty Harrison and Glenna Cornett (Buzz). Son, George Kennedy (Debbie). Grandsons, Timothy Wayne and Daniel. Brother-in-law, Daniel Lynn.

Evelyn Seeber, John H. Wilson, Barbara and Burlie Wilson, Norene and Alan Jones, Shirlene and Dean Varney.. A generous blessing of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Simply said - Aileen was something else! Born on the 4th of July, loving God and Country, a fireworks baby who was a force of nature. One of God's greatest blessings to many. Unwavering, tenacious, resolute and steadfast are

just a few words to describe this incredible woman.

Loving and taking care of others was a task she thoroughly enjoyed. Her famous saying “Do not hate. Do not carry that in your heart for God loves you.” She simply never met a stranger and loved everyone that crossed her path.

These are just a few of the things Aileen enjoyed; talking, singing, reading her Bible, search words, quilting, sewing, scrapbooking, growing flowers, gardening, award winning canning that was featured in the Roane County News, fishing, walking, history and photos. She also loved to write, and one poem was printed in the Roane Reader, “Take Time to Pray.” Collecting and repairing clocks was also a favorite pastime.

However, her absolute favorite things were watching planes, trains, riding horses, even camels and short trips on a motorcycle with her dad and brother.

Before taking this trip to heaven, she managed to see 44 of the 50 states of the great United States and naturally made many friends along the way. Her smile, laughter and sense of humor always managed to brighten the worst of days for many. A woman of strong character, courage and resilience; she will most definitely be missed and loved by many in their hearts.

I (we) will always love you.

The Family will receive friends from noon until 1:00 p.m. Thursday, July 2, 2026 at Kyker Funeral Home of Kingston. Funeral at 1:00 p.m. with Pastor Adrian Jones officiating. Burial will follow in Lively Cemetery. Flowers appreciated but not necessary. Kyker Funeral Home of Kingston is serving the Kennedy Family. Special thanks to family, friends, Amedysis, Home Instead and All Ways Caring.

Upcoming Events

Vistiation

JUL 2. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Kyker Funeral Home
350 W Race St
Kingston, TN 37763-3402
(865) 376-6531

Funeral Service

JUL 2. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Burial

JUL 2 (ET)

Lively Cemetery
Oliver Springs, TN 37840