



Alice McKenzie Sweeney

November 6, 1929 - October 2, 2015

Alice McKenzie Sweeney, age 85, of Kingston, TN passed away Friday, October 2, 2015 at the Roane Medical Center. She was a member of First Baptist Church for 58 years where she was actively involved in many aspects of the church. She was a gifted vocalist, participating in several choirs and was a faithful leader in her Ladies Sunday School Class. She also enjoyed playing bridge, visiting in local assisted living and nursing homes and singing in the Roane Choral Society for many years.

Alice graduated from East Carolina University with a teaching degree. She was a gifted and devoted educator for over twenty-five years at Kingston Jr. High and Cherokee Middle School.

For those who knew Alice, she will be remembered as a woman of prayer and faith, knowing her Lord walked with her everyday. Alice's love for her church, family and friends is well known.

She is preceded in death by her parents Murd and Sarah McKenzie, her sisters Oleta Spell, Bonnie Dixon, Edna Dickerson, Maggie Potter, Sallie Weeks, Betsy Abdalla and one brother, Murd Butler McKenzie.

Survivors include:

Son David Alan Sweeney (Tonia) of Winchester, VA;

Daughter Lou Alice White (John) of Oxford, AL;
Grandchildren Tyler and Paul Sweeney; Paul and Stephen White.

Funeral 11am Tuesday October 6, 2015 at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Jody McLoud and Rev. Tommy Taylor officiating. Burial at Roane Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial donations to the First Baptist Church Building Fund 215 N. Kentucky Street Kingston, TN. 37763. The family will receive friends Monday October 5, 2015 from 6 until 8pm at the First Baptist Church of Kingston.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 5. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

First Baptist Church
215 N. Kentucky Street
Kingston, TN 37763

Service

OCT 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church
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Kingston, TN 37763

Burial

OCT 6. 12:00 PM (ET)

Roane Memorial Gardens
1400 N Gateway Ave
Rockwood, TN 37854

Tribute Wall

CL

“ We called her Mrs. Sweeney and she and husband Jim were our neighbors for more than 50 years. They both attended dad's funeral in 2012, even though Jim wasn't in the best of health then. Alice and Jim initially lived in the first white house on the lake as you come into Woodhaven. Then they moved to the house 3 down from us--I think the Quinby's house or the one next to Miss Peggy's (formerly the Halls)--sometime after I graduated from UT. A true Southern Lady, Alice was a role model to many of us. She (and Jim, who passed a couple of years ago), will be truly missed--not only as part of Kingston's history, but as good and faithful friends who lived life well!

Connie Littlefield Lewis - October 05, 2015 at 11:02 PM

SP

“ I first met Alice 12 years ago when she and her beloved Jim were volunteering at Hands of Mercy. Alice was such a lady and always a servant to her Lord. Her health kept her from volunteering after a while but she supported us and supported Jim as he served on our board until his death 2 years ago. Alice was a wonderful woman who had a profound influence in my life and I am sure in the lives of all she touched. Good Bye my friend you are with you wonderful Jim now and that is the best we could ask for you!!! May all the faithful departed rest in the arms of the Lord. Sharon Pinner, Director Hands of Mercy

Sharon Pinner - October 05, 2015 at 08:53 PM

JT

“ Mrs. Sweeney was also one of my teachers in junior high. She truly was a lovely role model. You could tell she was a Christian lady by the life she led. May God comfort her family.

Jill Adams Turnbull - October 05, 2015 at 06:33 PM

KS

“ *She was one of my favorite teachers in junior high school. Later on as an adult I enjoyed her as a beautiful Christian lady! She will be missed by all.*

Kim Sexton - October 05, 2015 at 09:23 AM

VM

“ *as long as i can remember; Ms. Sweeney was in my life. i remember her being in my church my whole childhood. i had her as a teacher also. she was such a lovely person and a true lady. my condolences to the family. vicki morgan melton*

vicki melton - October 04, 2015 at 11:43 PM

CP

“ *Mrs. Sweeney was from a different breed of teacher than most are these days. She was a very special and sweet lady. She will be missed.*

Carol Crowe Phillips - October 03, 2015 at 10:58 PM

CC

“ *Mrs. Sweeney was one of my middle school teachers in the old building. She was one of the most gracious teachers I had ever encountered.....a true Southern lady whose smile lit up the room. I don't recall her voice ever being raised in anger or her ever showing disappointment in any of us. May each of you, as family, keep the special memories of her tightly in your heart.*

Carolyn McCormick Childs - October 03, 2015 at 04:37 PM