



Anna Kathleen McCarroll

September 21, 1928 - December 18, 2024

Anna Kathleen McCarroll went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Wednesday, December 18th, 2024 at 4:58 a.m., in Sweetwater, Tennessee. She was 96 years old.

She is preceded in death by her parents Tom and Anna Bell Plemons; brother J.T. Plemons; husband, Cecil Burnett McCarroll Sr.; children, Cecil B. McCarroll Jr., Stephen T. McCarroll, William "Billy" D. McCarroll and Bonnie Lee Fain.

She is survived by her children: Sy and Kenton Hartman and Dr. James and Sandra McCarroll; daughter-in laws: Joanna McCarroll, and Susan McCarroll; son-in-law Don Fain; grandchildren: Caleb McCarroll and Jessica and Bradley Haston; Perry and Megan Hartman, Paige and Mark Wilson, Jeff and Tyler Millsaps, Dwight and Stepenie Millsaps, Jason and Susie Millsaps, Cecil and Evelyn McCarroll III, William J. McCarroll, Sara Germino, James and Mackenzie McCarroll Jr, Micah and Kaylynn McCarroll, Nathan and Linae McCarroll, Joshua "Peter" and Madi McCarroll, Joseph McCarroll; great grandchildren: Altas, Griffin and Liam Haston, Helena Hartman, Caroline McCarroll, Cheyenne Millsaps, Easton Millsaps, Timber Shrader, Josiah, Jeremiah and Jonah Wilson, Matthew, Benjamin, and Bailee Millsaps, Austin, Alyssa, Haylee, and Emily McCarroll; great-great grandchildren, Joseph Shrader, Clayton Shrader, and Olivia Millsaps.

Kathleen was an educator who taught elementary and secondary school students, whom she dearly loved and shared many fond memories with.

Some called her “Machine Gun” McCarroll. We can only imagine how she got that nickname. She was a volunteer at Sweetwater Hospital for many years and enjoyed helping brides plan their weddings and receptions. She was a devout Christian and walked daily in the presence of the Lord, spreading the gospel of Jesus Christ to anyone who would listen. She was a wild old bird who had her own “Kathleen way” about her until her last breath. She did everything on her own terms and was always dressed to the nines. Anyone who knew her, even for a second, had a “Kathleen story”. She was a writer, a reader, and felt that a true lady only drinks her coffee black and very, very hot. No one ever saw her without a pin and paper in her hand, and if you ever find an old book with half cursive writing in all the once open spaces, odds are it was once read by Kathleen.

Receiving of friends will be held on Saturday, December 28th, 2024 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. with the service immediately following at Kyker Funeral Homes, located at 113 W. North Street, Sweetwater, TN 37874 with Rev. Thomas Cochran officiating. A processional will immediately follow with internment at Christianburg Baptist Church Cemetery.

Pallbearers: Jeff Millsaps, Dwight Millsaps, Jimmy McCarroll, Micah McCarroll, Nathan McCarroll, and Peter McCarroll.

There are so many wonderful people who touched Kathleen’s life who we greatly appreciate. We want to give special recognition to Emily Phillips, who Kathleen loved as if she was her own daughter. We are very thankful to her for the time she spent visiting, reading the Bible, singing and providing comfort to her. She truly blessed Kathleen’s life.

Cemetery Details

Christianburg Baptist Church Cemetery

Sweetwater, TN 37874

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 28. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

DEC 28. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kyker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Anna Kathleen McCarroll*



Kyker Funeral Home - December 27, 2024 at 01:59 PM

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“ *Bible Baptist Church, Asheboro, NC purchased the Large Basket Garden for the family of Anna Kathleen McCarroll.*



Bible Baptist Church, Asheboro, NC - December 27, 2024 at 01:52 PM

JB

“ *Todd and I send our condolences. We will be keeping the family in our prayers. Thinking of you.*



Janice Baines - December 27, 2024 at 11:44 AM



“ 102 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Kyker Funeral Home - December 27, 2024 at 08:36 AM



“ *Your Plant Rowan Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Anna Kathleen McCarroll.*



Your Plant Rowan Family - December 21, 2024 at 06:28 PM



“ *She was my teacher in 6th grade at the old elementary school, the only teacher that I never got a paddling from. She loved watermelon, I carried her one on the bus to school from down on the farm. I was in her class when John F. Kennedy was shot. She was a wonderful teacher and a caring person.*



Glenn Thompson - December 20, 2024 at 04:02 PM

PE

She was my 6th grade teacher at Brown Elementary. She was tough, but what she taught me has stuck with me my whole life. We had to learn the poem Trees by Joyce Kilmer, Luke 2 1-20, and the Star Spangle Banner all three stanzas . I work in an elementary school and have talked about her often. Now I had to repeat the 6th grade, but because of her and my parents holding me back it was the best decision that was made in my life. Thank you Mrs. McCarroll for all that you have done in education. As long as I live I will never forget you. Prayers for her family.

Patricia Smith Edington - December 21, 2024 at 07:44 AM

GT

“ Dear Family,
Sorry for your loss, prayers and thoughts
during this time.



Glenn and Delorese Thompson - December 20, 2024 at 03:55 PM



“ She was a good teacher, and loved. Her. students.

Judy Wicker - December 19, 2024 at 09:56 PM

RG

“ She was my 6th grade teacher at Brown Elementary. One of the best teachers I had. I still remember stuff she made us memorize. She also helped my wife and I coordinate our wedding. Very sweet lady. She will be missed.

Robert Godfrey - December 19, 2024 at 08:00 PM

MC

“ This world was a better place with her here... I have had the privilege of being in her class in Junior High as well and later on worshipping with her at Lee’s Chapel Baptist Church... there was so many of us kids that She referred to me and my siblings as just “Morrow” ... Memorized many poems and Bible in her class and when She later couldn’t come to here us sing at the nursing home, we would often ask about her. Can’t wait until that glad reunion day in Heaven... God be with you all do this time...

Melissa Carpenter - December 19, 2024 at 07:04 PM



“ So sorry to hear this. Loved when Kathleen came to visit my office and would tell me stories about her time living in the building. Loved reading her book and poetry. She often came and weeded the garden at the office over the years. She will be missed.
Dr Sigrid Johnson

Maodayr Johnson - December 19, 2024 at 06:11 PM

RM

“ She was my favorite Teacher. I had her at Brown Elementary in 5th grade, and then again in Junior High. She was very tough, but very fair also. And was a very special Lady.

Richard McJunkins - December 19, 2024 at 04:17 PM