



Jean McKinney

September 16, 1940 - October 17, 2023

Emma Jean McKinney (Dennis), 83 of Higginsville, Missouri passed away on Tuesday, October 17, 2023, at her home. She was born Monday, September 16, 1940 in Hale, Missouri to the late Ernest and late Mary Dennis (Sanders). Jean was raised in Hale and attended school at the Hale R-1 School District. She later moved to Chillicothe and married Donald McKinney on October 23, 1963. They spent 40 happy years together. He preceded her in death on January 29, 2003. They spent some time living in Independence, but later moved in Higginsville in 1977.

Jean worked for Rolling Meadow State School as a bus monitor and also at Walmart. She loved to play bingo, loved slot machines and making trips to the casino. She also enjoyed fishing, crochet, and loved family dinners over the holidays as she was always the host. Jean had a caregiving nature and cared for her mother until her death. She will be forever missed by all of her family and friends that loved her so much.

Surviving are two sons, Ernest McKinney (Tracy Potter) of Higginsville, and Kevin McKinney of Warrensburg; two daughters, Debbie Draisey of Higginsville and Michelle McKinney of Higginsville; one brother, Charles "Bill" (Jennifer) Dennis of Savannah, MO; nine grandchildren, Eric Draisey, Ashley (Aaron) Clemens, Kayleen (Shane) Huntsman, Tiffany (Cole) Narron, Brandy (Sam) Hough, Holly Bauter, Jacob McKinney, Haylee McKinney, and Connor Reynolds; eleven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Donald; two

brothers, James Dennis and LeRoy Dennis.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM on Saturday, October 28, 2023, at Stewart-Hoefer Funeral Home, 1600 Main St. Higginsville, Missouri.

A funeral service will follow at 2:00 PM at Stewart-Hoefer Funeral Home. Interment will be in the Higginsville City Cemetery. Casket bearers: Mike Dennis, Zachary Dennis, Jacob McKinney, Brian Dennis, Eric Draisey and Connor Reynolds. Honorary casket bearer: Craig Dennis. Memorials can be made out to Children's Mercy Hospital.

Cemetery Details

City Cemetery

2275-2491 Lipper Ave.
Higginsville, MO 64037

Previous Events

Funeral Service

OCT **28**. 2:00 AM - 2:45 PM (cst)

Stewart-Hoefer Funeral Home, Inc.
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Higginsville, MO 64037
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Visitation

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Tribute Wall

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“ *My momma Weeg Heyer worked with Jean at Walmart and loved every minute of it! She was a wonderful lady. Peace & love to her family.*

Shannon Heyer Tretter - October 28, 2023 at 11:20 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Jean McKinney.*



October 26, 2023 at 03:59 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jean McKinney.*



October 26, 2023 at 03:50 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jean McKinney.*



October 26, 2023 at 03:44 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jean McKinney.*



October 23, 2023 at 02:26 PM



“ *I worked with Jean at Walmart. She always came through my line at the grocery store while she was able to shop. I loved our chats. She was a good family friend. So sorry for your loss.*

Dodie Kennedy - October 22, 2023 at 04:42 PM



“ *Jean McKinney*

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