



Kathleen McBee

July 3, 1930 - August 5, 2023

Kathleen McBee, 93, of Chattanooga, passed away Saturday, August 5, 2023, in a local hospital. She was one of Jehovah's Witnesses. Kathleen was preceded in death by her parents, Tony and Ruby Lee Bridgeman; husband, William E. McBee; sister, Mary Alice Fletcher; son, David Lee Calloway, Jr.; grandson, David C. Roddy; granddaughter, Tabitha Hall; great-grandson, Carlos Mosley, Jr.; and great-great-granddaughter, Jasmine Chalk. Survivors include her daughter, Pearl Lee Calloway of Taylor, MI; 6 grandchildren, Crystal (Janaro) Hayes of San Diego, CA, Timothy (Wendy) Calloway of Detroit, MI, Laura (Damon) Hicks of Canton, MI, Nigel Powell of Taylor, MI, devoted Wenona Calloway (Thaddeus Daniel), and Edwina Calloway, both of Chattanooga; 14 great-grandchildren; 14 great-great-grandchildren; a host of nieces; nephews; cousins; other relatives and friends. Kathleen will lie-in-state on Saturday, August 26, 2023, at 9 a.m. at Taylor Funeral Home. Funeral service will follow at 1 p.m. in the chapel with Brother Patrick Martin giving the discourse.

Previous Events

Lie-In-State

AUG **26**. 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc
3417 Wilcox Boulevard
Chattanooga, TN 37411

Service

AUG **26**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Loving Aunt Kat from the first time coming to visit her in Chatt town. Just thanking God for another soldier who dedicated herself to loving her family and those needing love. Aunt Kathleen McBee will always have a place in my heart for sure. Lovingly submitted Clara Mack Clemese's Daughter in New York.*

CLARA MACK - August 26, 2023 at 12:26 PM

“ Ms. Kathleen McBee
“A Force To Be Reckoned With”

My memory of Ms. Kathleen is forever in my heart. I meant her on May 19, 2023, I had the pleasure of accompanying her to her doctors appointment along with her Granddaughter and caretaker Wendy Calloway.

Ms. Kathleen hadn't wanted to go to the doctor and let it be known in her firm , authoritative and “don't give me no back talk”! voice to Wendy. But Wendy was just as determined and with the most kind and gentle voice told her “ Yes you are going Grandmother”. After finally convincing her we were on our way. It took several hours because of all the tests that needed to be done but we got through it. Just a few weeks prior to that visit Wendy had been trying to get her to go to the hospital and was going to call for EMS to transport her against Ms. Kathleen's wishes.

Ms. Kathleen told Wendy that she had better “hang that phone up and get somewhere and chill” and Wendy did just that.

Ms. Kathleen let it be known that she was running things, LOL. After getting her back home from her appointment Wendy set out to get her a hotdog with slaw that she wanted and pick up her meds.

At the time I didn't know I wouldn't see her again. We had talked about me coming over some mornings sitting out on the porch to visit. When her health deteriorated more recently she ended up in the hospital as a patient. But we could not have been more thrilled when she was released from rehab to come home on August 5th. I am so very thankful that her great grandson Henry was with her when she died and did all that he could to help her before EMS arrived at her house.

I can't recall ever witnessing the degree of love and devotion between Ms. Kathleen and Wendy. Making sure that she had meals, taking her to doctors appointments, calling to check in on her, going to get her settled in for the night after working 10 hour shifts are just a few things that Wendy did to try and make her Grandmother's life more comfortable all of the time.

We don't have as much control over our lives that we think we do.

We're always putting people and things off as though we control what has already been decreed. Thank you Wendy for giving me the honor of meeting and spending time with your Grandmother. But mostly for being the granddaughter that you were to her. We will miss her.

Rajaa El-Ameen

Rajaa El-Ameen - August 24, 2023 at 01:29 PM

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“ *She was a very sweet and humble woman.*
Joyce Smith

Joyce Smith - August 16, 2023 at 09:03 PM