



## Ruth Gearldine McIntire

August 24, 1925 - September 28, 2019

Ruth Gearldine McIntire, 94 of Judsonia, Arkansas went to be with her Lord and Savior on September 28th, 2019. Gearldine was born in Judsonia on August 24th, 1925 to Herbert Carlon and Mary Edith Louks Twyford. She is preceded in death by her husband of 66 years, Lawrence S. McIntire Sr. and four sisters, Ruby Twyford, Helen Dale, Lorene Hendrickson and Joyce Hubach.

She is survived by her three children, Patricia (Dighton) Ewan of Clarendon, Lawrence Jr (Kay) McIntire of Little Rock, and Annette (James) Stapleton of Searcy, six grandchildren, Jim (Charlotte) Ewan, Laurie (Wes) Evans, Patrick (Medley) Ewan, Lynne McIntire, Kelly (Ben) Baugher and Kaley (Jacob) Reed, fifteen great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren. Also surviving, one beloved brother-in-law Johnny (Dolly) McIntire, nieces, nephews and friends. Gearldine attended Judsonia Public Schools and always enjoyed the school reunions. She graduated from Memphis Beauty College where she gained the skills to own and operate Gearldine's Beauty Shop for over 50 years. Gearldine was a member of the Judson Chapter 562 Order of the Eastern Star for over 50 years and also attended meetings regularly at the Kensett and Pangburn chapters. In the Eastern Star she served all of the star points and was Worthy Matron on several different occasions. Gearldine survived injuries that she sustained in the tornado of 1952 that destroyed the small town of Judsonia. She was a member of the Judsonia United Methodist Church where she loved attending and serving until her health did not permit.

In Church she served as a Sunday School Teacher, secretary to the board, member of the choir and handbell choir and many other things. One of her many traditions at the church was beautifully reading "Twas the night before Jesus came" Christmas story as her sister Joyce played music softly in the background. She loved going to church and frequently asked "when are we going to church?" even after she was not physically able to go. She loved going to parades, Prospect Bluff days, attending the annual Thanksgiving fellowship with the Baptist Church, attending Eastern Star, shopping and most importantly spending time with her family. She was the "Queen" of hospitality and loved making people feel at home with her beautiful smile and making sure they had plenty to eat. She was a wonderful cook. She was known to her health caretakers as "Mrs. Ruth". They all looked forward to seeing her beautiful smile as they cared for her. Many thanks to Arkansas Hospice and the Community Compassion Staff for their loving care.

Memorials can be made to the Judsonia United Methodist Church.

A funeral service will be held on Thursday, Oct. 3 at the Judsonia United Methodist Church at 1:00 p.m. Visitation will be one hour prior starting at noon. Entombment will follow in the mausoleum at White County Memorial Gardens. Arrangements entrusted to Powell Funeral Home Bald Knob-Judsonia.

[www.powellfuneralhome.net](http://www.powellfuneralhome.net)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 3. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Judsonia United Methodist Church  
200 Van Buren St.  
Judsonia, AR 72081  
<http://>

## Service

OCT 3. 1:00 PM (CT)

Judsonia United Methodist Church  
200 Van Buren St.  
Judsonia, AR 72081

## Entombment

OCT 3 (CT)

White County Memorial Gardens  
Eastline Road  
Searcy, AR 72143

# Tribute Wall



“ Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Ruth Gearldine McIntire



Powell Funeral Home & Cremation Services - October 01, 2019 at 11:30 AM

YF

“ Your HPG Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Ruth Gearldine McIntire.



Your HPG Family - October 03, 2019 at 09:39 AM

FO

“ Fonda lit a candle in memory of Ruth Gearldine McIntire



Fonda - October 02, 2019 at 08:48 PM

WB

“ With deepest sympathy from Jay and Andrea Baugher purchased the A Full Life for the family of Ruth Gearldine McIntire.



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**With deepest sympathy from Jay and Andrea Baugher -**  
October 02, 2019 at 04:50 PM

JR

“ Prayers of comfort and peace to Cricket, Kaley, and their whole family during this terrible time.

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**Jennifer Rutledge -** October 02, 2019 at 09:25 AM



“ Michelle Elliott lit a candle in memory of Ruth Gearldine McIntire



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**Michelle Elliott -** October 01, 2019 at 09:43 PM

TL

“ So sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.



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**Tonya Luten -** October 01, 2019 at 04:52 PM

AB

“ *ADDIE BANKS lit a candle in memory of Ruth Gearldine McIntire*



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**ADDIE BANKS** - October 01, 2019 at 03:23 PM

HS

“ *I was so sorry to hear about your loss. Praying for you all for comfort and strength. Love ya, Heather*

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**Heather Stogner** - October 01, 2019 at 11:37 AM

PW

“ *Will miss that beautiful smile, may your family find peace and comfort knowing you are with our lord and savior.*

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**Paula Wince** - October 01, 2019 at 01:00 AM

GB

“ *I am so sorry for your loss of your mother. Prayers for you and your family.*

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**gail burton** - September 30, 2019 at 08:30 PM

EP

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss Cricket & Kaley. Thoughts and prayers in the coming days.*

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**Elaine Padgett** - September 30, 2019 at 04:57 PM