



Lucy Lee McDowell

October 15, 1921 - June 15, 2024

Lucy Lee Thompson McDowell, 102, passed away peacefully on June 15, 2024. She was born in Iola, KS on October 15, 1921 to Clyde Everett Thompson Sr. and Lucy Elizabeth Wilson Thompson. Lucy Lee graduated from Iola High School in 1939, Iola Junior College in 1941, and received her Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from the University of Kansas in 1943. In high school Lucy Lee was one of the originators of the "IOLA" letter girls who marched in the lead of the Iola High School band; member, treasurer and president of the Iola High School Pep Club; editor of the Iola High School Lamp. Lucy Lee had the distinction of attending the very first Girl's State in Kansas and was a member of the National Honor Society. At the University of Kansas she joined Gamma Phi Beta social sorority. Upon graduation she worked as an abstracter for her father's firm, Iola Abstract Company. On July 12, 1950, Lucy Lee married G. W. "Mick" McDowell and began working as an auditor-accountant for Sterner & McDowell. Lucy Lee was a member of Chapter DD PEO, the First Presbyterian Church and the Chanute Country Club. Lucy Lee was an avid sports fan and loved the Kansas City Royals, Kansas City Chiefs and the University of Kansas Jayhawks. She enjoyed playing bridge, tennis, golf and working crossword puzzles. More than anything she cherished her family and friendships. Lucy Lee was inherently able to see the humor in any situation and laughed often and always with gusto. She was known to be mischievous and adored a good story, joke or prank. She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 52 years, G.W.

“Mick” McDowell in 2003, her siblings, June Thompson Toland (Stanley), Frank W. Thompson (Helen), Charlotte Thompson Ford (Harold), Clyde E. Thompson (Nan). She is survived by her daughter, Aimee McDowell Scovell (Joseph), grandchildren Grace Thompson Scovell (29) and Samuel Joseph Scovell (27) all of Kansas City, MO. We would like to thank all the caregivers, especially Kisha and Mona, who treated Mom with dignity and made her feel like family. Services will be held at the First Presbyterian Church, 15 N. Steuben Avenue, Chanute, KS 66720 on Thursday, June 27, 2024 at 11:00 am. Graveside services will take place at 2:00 pm at Highland Cemetery in Iola, Kansas. In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to the First Presbyterian Church or the Alzheimer’s Association, www.alz.org/kansascity. Online condolences may be left at www.countrysidefh.com. Services are under the direction of Countryside Funeral Home 101 N. Highland, Chanute, KS 66720.

Cemetery Details

Highland

1800 N. Cottonwood
Iola, KS 66749

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN 27. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church Chanute
15 N. Steuben
Chanute, KS 66720

Graveside Service

JUN 27. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

Highland
1800 N. Cottonwood
Iola, KS 66749

Tribute Wall



“ Love, Todd, Mary, Luke, and Josh purchased the *Arrive in Style* for the family of Lucy Lee McDowell.



Love, Todd, Mary, Luke, and Josh - June 27, 2024 at 07:55 AM



“ Love, Todd, Mary, Luke, and Josh planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lucy Lee McDowell.

Love, Todd, Mary, Luke, and Josh - June 27, 2024 at 07:55 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes* was purchased for the family of Lucy Lee McDowell.



June 20, 2024 at 10:51 AM



“ *Your Light Shines* was purchased for the family of Lucy Lee McDowell.



June 19, 2024 at 09:42 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Lucy Lee McDowell.*



June 18, 2024 at 07:29 AM



“ *Lucy was a wonderful lady whom I had the pleasure of taking care of her and being in her life for 4 yrs as hee care giver I loved her very much and she will be greatly missed and may she rest in piece I will never forget you lucy*

Ramona Britton - June 17, 2024 at 10:57 PM