



Mary Frances Reed

August 17, 1937 - May 14, 2025

Mary F. Reed, age 87, passed away at Neosho Memorial Regional Medical Center May 14, 2025. Mary was born August 17, 1937, in Humboldt, KS. to Richard R. and Gladys Williams. As a young girl they moved to McCune, KS. where she attended school. Her parents owned a café there for many years. Mary married the love of her life, Vester L. Reed, March 20, 1954 in the home of Judge Knoch in Columbus, KS. They were married 69 years until his death September 25, 2023. Mary retired from the Chanute Tribune. She attended the Living Word Assembly Church. She enjoyed camping, traveling, and playing games. They spent many years going to the Kansas State Fair in their 5th wheel. She loved spending time with her children, grandchildren, and her dog Sparky.

Mary is survived by her children; Vicky Reed, Chanute, Vester R. and Cheryl Reed, Chanute, Kathy Oliphant and Dennis; Jet, Oklahoma; 8 Grandchildren: Chase Reed, Chanute; Lauren Reed, Chanute; Heath and Klasee Reed, Emporia, KS, Shawn and Misty Oliphant, Tennessee, Richie Oliphant, Anthony, KS, Amanda and Joe, Hawley, McKinney, TX; Aaron and Dawn Thomas, Gardner, KS, Adrienne and Josh Dent, Chanute, KS., good friends, Kent and Peggy Frazell and Carl and Carol Truster, and 12 Great-Grandchildren.

Mary was preceded in death by her husband Vester, her parents, and sister Wilma Mishler.

Graveside Services will be held at Memorial Park Cemetery in Chanute on

Monday, May 19, 2025 at 10:00 am. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Countryside Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery

E.. 14th St.
Chanute, KS 66720

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAY 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DZ

“ Mary was one of the sweetest ladies I have ever known. She was married to my mother, Mary Carpenter's, cousin. They were an awesome couple. She will be missed by many. R.I.P. Mary.

Donna Zillner - May 16, 2025 at 10:59 PM

LB

“ So sorry for your loss Vester and Cheryl and families. Thinking of you. Sending prayers

linda Bartholomew - May 15, 2025 at 05:25 PM

BC

“ Beaver Lake Concrete planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mary Frances Reed.

Beaver Lake Concrete - May 15, 2025 at 01:08 PM

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“ Beaver Lake Concrete purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mary Frances Reed.



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VE

“ Thoughts and Prayers to family and Friends. I am so sorry for your loss. R.I.P. Mary. I'm sure gonna miss my Breakfast Buddy at Grain Bin.

Val Engstrom - May 14, 2025 at 09:38 PM

DW

“ *Sending my sympathy to her today. She was mother in law of Cheryl Reed (sister). And was loved by her relatives. Delores Webb(Westfall) Godfrey il*

Delores Westfall - May 14, 2025 at 06:47 PM