



## Joleen McDowell

June 23, 1933 - March 8, 2020

Joleen McDowell, 86, of Grand Island passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her family on Sunday, March 8, 2020.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 19, 2020 at All Faiths Funeral Home in Grand Island, Ne.

Services will be held at 1:30 pm on Friday, March 20, 2020 in her hometown of Smith Center, KS with visitation from 11 to 12 a.m. at the All Faiths Funeral Chapel, 113 S Madison St., Smith Center, KS 66967. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery at Smith Center, KS.

Memorials are designated to the Alzheimer's Association.

Joleen was born on June 23, 1933 in Smith Center, daughter of Garth and Erma (Burgess) Holmes.

She grew up and received her education from Smith Center, and was active in the music program playing the French Horn. She graduated with the class of 1950 and was a member of the National Honor Society. She was employed at Smith County Bank, often most of her paycheck would be spent on her love of shoes, a trait that she passed to her daughters and grand-daughters.

On September 25, 1955 she was united in marriage to Everett McDowell. The couple made their home in Smith Center until 1976 when they moved to Grand Island.

Joleen was a member of the World Wide Church of God. With her servants' heart, she always shared her homemade cooking, fellowship and smile.

Joleen embodied the unconditional love of a mother. She was an excellent

cook and baker and many hours were spent outside tending to her flower and vegetable gardens canning most of the produce. She also enjoyed reading and playing card games. She will always be a beautiful example of a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Joleen is survived by her husband, Everett of Grand Island; children, Brenda Struble of Medford, OK, Brian (Debra) McDowell of Weston, MO, Brice McDowell of Phoenix, AZ, Blake (Delonna) McDowell of Grand Island; Beverly (DeForest) Walker of Loveland, CO, Beth (Mike) Lebeda of Medford, OK, Bridget (Tony) Tatum of Wichita, KS, and Becky McDowell (Clark Gauthier) of Grand Island; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; sisters, Janet (John) McDowell and Jerry (Cecil) Lambert both of Smith Center, KS; daughter-in-law, Rhonda McDowell of Spokane, WA; along with several nieces nephews and extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, son, Brad; sister, Joyce McGee and daughter-in-law, Cindi McDowell.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 19. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home  
2929 S Locust St  
Grand Island, NE 68801  
(308) 398-2929  
allfaiths@giallfaiths.com  
<https://www.giallfaiths.com/>

## Visitation

MAR 20. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Chapel- Smith Center, KS  
113 S. Madison St.,  
Smith Center, KS 66967  
<http://allfaithsfuneralchapel.com>

## Service

MAR 20. 1:30 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Joleen McDowell*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *Beverly, and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Your mother was a beautiful person. Strong, loving, and full of love for all of you. My sincere condolences. Peace to you. Sharon McCoy*

**Sharon McCoy** - March 19, 2020 at 08:34 PM



“ *Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Joleen McDowell.*



March 17, 2020 at 10:54 AM



“ *Blake, Delonna and Family, Thinking of you and sending a prayer for you and your family to find peace and good memories to share of your Mom. With Sincere Sympathy, Richard and Peggy Huffman and Family*



**Peggy J Huffman** - March 17, 2020 at 08:08 AM

PP

“ Our sympathy to you and your family in your loss. Cherish the memories that you made with her as that is what makes you get thru this time of loss.

Peg & Gene Pesek - March 16, 2020 at 10:02 PM

PB

“ Joleen was always the epitome of a Proverbs 31 woman! She was always a helper, a loving Wife and parent, a valuable friend and the best example of LOVE to everyone! All of the customers that Everett and the kids had for lawns were mesmerized by Joleen! Always gracious to everyone! Our two families spent many Saturday nights playing pinochle and socializing at church events. Precious memories! LUVYALL from the entire Boyll family

patty boyll - March 16, 2020 at 08:35 PM

WF

“ Walt and Patty BOYLL and all of our family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Joleen McDowell.



Walt and Patty BOYLL and all of our family - March 16, 2020 at 08:29 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Joleen McDowell.



March 16, 2020 at 12:46 PM

DB

“ Words can't even describe what Mrs. McDowell meant to me growing up in the church with her was an honor. Becoming an adult and being able to continue to learn from her will be memories to treasure. Love to everyone during this time. Until we meet again Mrs. McDowell ❤️.

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**Deanna Blackburn** - March 16, 2020 at 12:19 PM

SJ

“ Sidney Jablonski purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Joleen McDowell.



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**Sidney Jablonski** - March 16, 2020 at 12:08 PM