



## Mrs Shirley Dee McGee

May 5, 1928 - July 1, 2017

### SHIRLEY DEE KITCHENS MCGEE

Shirley Dee Kitchens McGee, age 89, died at Choctaw Residential Center in Choctaw, MS, on July 1, 2017.

Born May 5, 1928, in Bessemer, AL, to James M. and Annie Lee (Lovern) Kitchens, Shirley moved to the Black Jack Community of Neshoba County, MS, as a young girl. Shirley graduated from Zepher Hill High School. In 1950 she received her bachelor's degree in English from Mississippi College. Shirley also held a master's in education from Mississippi State University and a master's in library science from the University of Mississippi. On April 16, 1953, Shirley married Ray McGee. She taught in the Leake and Attala County School Systems for 41 years, the last 30 years at Carthage High and Carthage Junior High. She taught high school and 7th grade English and served as junior high school librarian. She was an inspiration to her students. Shirley was a member of Carthage First Baptist Church for 57 years. She sang in the adult choir as long as her health permitted, and she also enjoyed singing in the ladies' ensemble. She was a member of the Mississippi Association of Educators, Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Society, and the Leake County Retired Teachers Association. Shirley enjoyed traveling, and spending time with her family and pets.

Survivors include her husband, Ray of Carthage, MS; daughter, Sheila McGee-Rosser (Fred) of Vicksburg, MS; sister, Itra Dawn Kinchen of Choctaw, MS; sister-in-law, Joyce Bennett of Kosciusko, MS; and numerous nieces,

nephews, and cousins. Shirley was preceded in death by her parents, James and Annie of Philadelphia, MS; sisters, Francis Leonard of Talladega, AL, and Bobbie Rayborn of Wellington, AL; and brother, Bryce Kitchens of Easley, SC. Visitation will be held from 1:30 p.m. until 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 5, 2017, at Wilcox Funeral Home in Carthage, MS. Services will follow at 2:30 p.m. in the Wilcox Chapel. Interment will be at Carthage Memorial Gardens in Carthage. The public is welcome at all.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, P.O. Box 96011, Washington, D.C. 20090-6011; ([http://www.alz.org/donate\\_overview.asp](http://www.alz.org/donate_overview.asp).)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 5. 1:30 AM - 2:00 AM (CT)

Wilcox Funeral Home  
106 S Jordan Street  
Carthage, MS 39051  
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wilcoxfh@netdoor.com  
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## Service

JUL 5. 2:30 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Shirley was such a gracious, precious lady. I thought she was so elegant and always looked so beautiful. She was 18 years my senior, but as a younger cousin, she was one who was everything I thought a real lady should be. We have not been able to share many visits, but she has never been far from my heart. I am sure the celebration in Heaven was glorious! What a reunion it must have been! Until we meet again, may you Rest In Peace.

Patricia McCurley Casey - September 27, 2017 at 12:05 AM

KH

“ God Bless both of you in the loss of your wife and mother. She was a sweet lady.

Mrs. Leland ( Betty ) Harrison & Kathy

Kathy Harrison - July 04, 2017 at 07:24 PM

SM

Thank you so much.

Sheila McGee-Rosser - July 19, 2017 at 04:04 PM

JH

“ Sweet Sweet lady ,My prayers for the family !!!

John Horn - July 04, 2017 at 08:00 AM

SM

We appreciate it.

Sheila McGee-Rosser - July 19, 2017 at 04:05 PM