



Genevieve Fairless

December 26, 1929 - April 9, 2025

To join the livestream of Genevieve's funeral service, please select the link below. The livestream broadcast will begin at 3:55 P.M. Tuesday, April 15, 2025. The service will be archived for 90 days for later viewing.

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Gladys Genevieve Fairless, age 95 years, a resident of rural Vienna, passed away unexpectedly Wednesday evening, April 9, 2025, at 6:07 P.M. at Deaconess Regional Healthcare of Illinois in Marion, Illinois.

Genevieve was born December 26, 1929 in the Foreman community in Johnson County Illinois. She was the daughter of Clyde and Gladys (Morford) Miller.

On May 26, 1948, Genevieve was united in marriage to Curtis Fairless in Piggott, Arkansas. Together, Curtis and Genevieve shared over 65 years of marriage prior to his death on April 25, 2014.

Genevieve is survived by: her son – Bill (his wife, Kitty) Fairless of Vienna; grandchildren – David (Casey) Fairless and Bobby (Lauren) Fairless all of St. Louis, Missouri and Becky Fairless of Murray, Kentucky; 4 great grandchildren – Kathleen, Joshua, Nicaela, and London; and a special nephew - Jerry (his

wife, Sharon) Miller of Simpson, Illinois.

In addition to her parents & husband, Genevieve was preceded in death by: an infant brother – Walter Miller; a brother – Bill Miller who was killed in action during the Korean War on June 1, 1951; her daughter – Jeanne Elam; and a sister-in-law – Helen Miller Robinson.

Genevieve was a member of the Vienna High School class of 1948. Following her graduation, Genevieve was employed as a bookkeeper by Veach Oil Company for a number of years. Later, she worked as a bus driver for the Vienna Grade School for 29 years, prior to her retirement. Genevieve also enjoyed volunteering at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Marion for over 10 years.

Genevieve enjoyed working alongside her husband, Curtis, in the operation of their farm. She cherished her role as a farm wife. She is remembered for her love of cooking and gardening.

Genevieve was a longtime faithful member of Taylor United Methodist Church, where she took an active role in the United Methodist Women's organization.

A funeral service honoring the life of Genevieve Fairless will be conducted Tuesday afternoon, April 15, 2025, at 4 P.M. at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Jeff Owens and Pastor Jerry Huckleberry will officiate.

Burial will be in the Belknap Masonic Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Monday, April 14, 2025, from 5 P.M. – 7 P.M. at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. There will also be a time of visitation from 3 P.M. until the funeral hour at 4 P.M. on Tuesday at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

Cemetery Details

Belknap Masonic Cemetery

Sunflower Lane
Belknap, IL 62908

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **14**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home
705 North First Street
PO Box 695
Vienna, IL 62995
(618) 658-2311
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com
<https://baileyfh.com>

Visitation

APR **15**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JT

“ *Janis Tapley lit a candle in memory of Genevieve Fairless*



Janis Tapley - April 21, 2025 at 01:26 PM

MH

“ *Mary Lou Hynes lit a candle in memory of Genevieve Fairless*



Mary Lou Hynes - April 15, 2025 at 02:58 PM

LG

“ *Lora Goddard lit a candle in memory of Genevieve Fairless*



Lora Goddard - April 14, 2025 at 12:41 PM

BN

“ *Brittany N, Nick G., Dawn & Peter Norton purchased the Serene Reflections Bouquet for the family of Genevieve Fairless.*



Brittany N, Nick G., Dawn & Peter Norton - April 13, 2025 at 07:15 PM

RB

“ *Bill, I'm so sorry to hear this. I have so many heart-warming memories of your mom and am praying for you and your family.* ”

Robin and Melissa Breeden - April 12, 2025 at 08:19 AM

SG

“ *Bill I'm so sorry for your loss. Every time I met you & her she knew who I was & was happy & ready to talk. It was a blessing she was so sharp. Prayers for your family.* ”



Sondra Goins - April 11, 2025 at 09:23 PM

SH

“ *Bill, so sorry for the loss of your mom. Steve & Jeannie Housewright* ”



Steve & Jeannie Housewright - April 11, 2025 at 07:23 PM

BJ

“ *Barbara Jeffress lit a candle in memory of Genevieve Fairless* ”



Barbara Jeffress - April 11, 2025 at 09:51 AM

PH

“ Pat Harner lit a candle in memory of Genevieve Fairless



Pat Harner - April 11, 2025 at 09:33 AM



“ Lori Taylor lit a candle in memory of Genevieve Fairless



Lori Taylor - April 10, 2025 at 10:00 PM

DN

“ Dave, Kevin, Kat, Matt, Dan, and Nathan. purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Genevieve Fairless.



Dave, Kevin, Kat, Matt, Dan, and Nathan. - April 10, 2025 at 09:22 PM

DH

“ Dallas And Charlene Harner sent a virtual gift in memory of Genevieve Fairless



Dallas and Charlene Harner - April 10, 2025 at 06:52 PM

SK

“ *She was such a sweet lady! I will always remember her picking me up in the little bus to go to kindergarten. Her smile and loving attitude always inspired trust.*

shayne killman - April 10, 2025 at 01:53 PM

DR

“ *Diane Rainbolt lit a candle in memory of Genevieve Fairless*



Diane Rainbolt - April 10, 2025 at 01:36 PM

RM

“ *Roger McBride lit a candle in memory of Genevieve Fairless*



Roger McBride - April 10, 2025 at 12:44 PM

TR

“ *Teresa Richerson lit a candle in memory of Genevieve Fairless*



Teresa Richerson - April 10, 2025 at 11:37 AM

DW

“ *Deborah Jane Wright sent a virtual gift in memory of Genevieve Fairless*



Deborah Jane Wright - April 10, 2025 at 10:54 AM

DW

I have fond memories of her picking me up and taking me to Bible School at Taylor Church. I wanted to go so bad and she was so sweet to take me. Thank God for people like her.

Deborah Jane Wright - April 10, 2025 at 10:57 AM

JS

“ *John Slack lit a candle in memory of Genevieve Fairless*



John Slack - April 10, 2025 at 10:18 AM

LM

“ *Larry And Carolyn McGill lit a candle in memory of Genevieve Fairless*



Larry and Carolyn McGill - April 10, 2025 at 09:33 AM

GH

“ Gary & Janet Hacker lit a candle in memory of
Genevieve Fairless



Gary & Janet Hacker - April 10, 2025 at 09:07 AM