



James D. Collie

October 29, 1934 - April 17, 2025

To join the livestream of James' funeral service, please select the link below. The livestream broadcast will begin at 1:55 P.M. (CST) Tuesday, April 22, 2025. The service will be archived for 90 days for later viewing.

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James D. Collie, age 90 years, a resident of rural Vienna, Illinois, passed away peacefully Thursday afternoon, April 17, 2025, at 3:29 P.M. at his home following an extended illness.

James was born on October 29, 1934 to Henry and Janie Paralee (Medlin) Collie in rural Massac County, Illinois.

On August 15, 1953, James was united in marriage to Glenna M. Murrie in Corinth, Mississippi. Together, James and Glenna shared over 71 years of marriage.

In addition to his beloved wife, James is survived by – his daughters: Connie (Charles) Bremer of Glen Carbon, Illinois, Debbie Cogdill and Jamie Petersen both of Vienna; 4 grandchildren: Doyle Bremer, Chelsea (Brandy) Bremer, Chandra (Nick) Homann, Sarah (Paul) Martin; great grandchildren: Olivia, Madilyn, Evelyn, Jocelyn, Ayla, Gage, Devon, Kolten, Addison, Cadence,

Madison and Raven; as well as brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, cousins and many friends.

In addition to his parents, James was preceded in death by – his siblings: Leone Koerner, Magdalene Wells, Rosalee Whitelock and Jack Collie as well as 5 infant brothers.

James was a 1953 graduate of Metropolis High School. He also had attended the Southern Illinois University Vocational Technical Institute, where he received certification as a welder.

As a teenager, James was employed by his older brother and two brothers-in-law in their business, Metro Brick and Block. He worked for a time as a guard at the Joliet State Prison before accepting a position with a General Motors Auto Parts manufacturing plant in Anderson, Indiana. Following the family's return to Southern Illinois, James worked with Glenna's uncle, Hartwell "Bud" Murrie, in his farming operation. James, Glenna and their family later moved to Carterville, where James was employed by Universal Match Company. The family moved to the Hillerman community in Massac County and James began working for Missouri Portland Cement. First, he was employed as a machinist and later in the control booth where he mixed product.

James' true passion, however, was the land and farming. He is also remembered for his skill in "tinkering" on and repairing farm equipment.

A funeral service honoring the life of James Collie will be held Tuesday, April 22, 2025 at 2 P.M. at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Richard Martin will officiate. Burial will be at the Murrie Family Cemetery.

There will be a time of visitation on Monday, April 21, 2025 at Bailey Funeral Home from 5 P.M. – 8 P.M. There will also be an additional time of visitation

beginning at 1 P.M. on Tuesday and continuing until the hour of the funeral service at 2 P.M.

Memorials may be made to the Heather Harper Treat Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 98, Vienna, Illinois 62995, or to the Art Murrie Resource Center, c/o Simpson Baptist Church, P.O. Box 102, Simpson, Illinois 62985 or to the Murrie Family Cemetery, c/o Tom Murrie, 495 Murrie Lane, Vienna, Illinois 62995.

Cemetery Details

Murrie Family Cemetery

Murrie Lane
Vienna, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **21**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home
705 North First Street
PO Box 695
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Service

APR **22**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

KS

“ Well I knew this day would come just not when. In the early 50's there were three boys who lived within a block of each other that were good buddies. John Hopkins, James Collie and Kenneth Searles did a world of let's say time together doing what young boys did in those days. John passed first, now James, leaving of course me. I was the oldest by 4 months. We went our own way after school but I never forgot them. I left Metropolis in 1954, spending 21 plus yrs in the Army, I ended up in Butler County, KY, but now live in Bowling Green, Ky, in assisted living. My family is all buried on North Avenue waiting on me. Most of my grand children live close by in Butler County, KY. My thoughts and prayers are with Glenna and family. At 91 I don;t know how much longer I have but still doing fairly well.

Kenneth Searles - May 27, 2025 at 09:24 PM

JT

“ Janis Tapley lit a candle in memory of James D. Collie



Janis Tapley - April 21, 2025 at 01:11 PM

SL

“ So sorry for your loss. 🙏



Steve&Kathy(Whiteside) Lay - April 20, 2025 at 10:19 PM

NF

“ Niece Jan Skirvin - Florida purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of James D. Collie.



Niece Jan Skirvin - Florida - April 20, 2025 at 03:20 PM

MH

“ Martha Henshaw-Crane lit a candle in memory of James D. Collie



Martha Henshaw-Crane - April 20, 2025 at 08:51 AM

LT

“ Lowell And Susie Trovillion lit a candle in memory of James D. Collie



Lowell and Susie Trovillion - April 19, 2025 at 09:58 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James D. Collie.

April 19, 2025 at 09:45 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James D. Collie.*



April 19, 2025 at 09:45 PM



“ *Deepest sympathies to Glenna and family.*



Donna Greenwell - April 19, 2025 at 11:41 AM



“ *Bobby Rentfro lit a candle in memory of James D. Collie*



Bobby Rentfro - April 18, 2025 at 09:19 PM



“ *Dale And Kathy Schierbaum lit a candle in memory of James D. Collie*



Dale and Kathy Schierbaum - April 18, 2025 at 05:35 PM

SS

“ So sorry Glenna! Thoughts and prayers are with you and your family! SUSIE SMITH



Susie Smith - April 18, 2025 at 02:19 PM

JS

“ John Slack lit a candle in memory of James D. Collie



John Slack - April 18, 2025 at 07:22 AM

MC

“ So sorry to see this Miss Glenna and family. James was so good to us when we rented from you. We enjoyed him coming down to visit. He's in a better place now. He'll be missed.

Martha and Ralph Childers - April 17, 2025 at 10:46 PM

MH

“ Mary Lou Hynes lit a candle in memory of James D. Collie



Mary Lou Hynes - April 17, 2025 at 10:13 PM

TE

“ *Tara, Marcus, Mason And Emerie lit a candle in memory of James D. Collie*



Tara, Marcus, Mason and Emerie - April 17, 2025 at 09:42 PM

LM

“ *Larry And Carolyn McGill lit a candle in memory of James D. Collie*



Larry and Carolyn McGill - April 17, 2025 at 09:16 PM

SA

So sorry to hear. Prayers and hugs to Glenna, Connie and Debbie and grandchildren.

Sandy - April 19, 2025 at 04:32 PM