



Vennetta Maze

August 11, 1939 - August 30, 2024

Vennetta Maze, age 85 years, a resident of rural Goreville, Illinois, passed away Friday evening, August 30, 2024, at SIH – Herrin Hospital.

Vennetta was born August 11, 1939 in Williamson County Illinois. She was the fifth of six daughters born to Rev. Everett Albright and Gladys (Lewis) Albright.

On May 9, 1959, Vennetta was united in marriage to Harold Maze at McKinney Chapel Freewill Baptist Church. Together, Vennetta and Harold shared over 65 years of marriage.

In addition to her husband, Vennetta is survived by: her sons – Paul (Julie) Maze, James (LeeAnne) Maze, Shane (Michelle) Maze, and Shawn Maze all of Goreville; a daughter-in-law – Rhonda Maze of Goreville; grandchildren – Cody (Ashleigh) Maze, Seth (Lyndsay) Maze, Jeri (Josh) Berkland, Jalynn (Dylan) Pippins, Jaden Maze, Jamie (Patrick) Malone, Meagan (Caleb) Cato, Madyson (Jacob) Ellis, Wyatt (Mikayla) Maze, Ethan (Natalie) Maze, and Anna (Brent) Sunderlage; great grandchildren – Tenneson, Adelaide, Jameson, Asher, Amelia, Jhett, Jace, Jax, Elayne, Matlocke, Lotten, Laetyn, Weslynn Dallas, Peter, and Lily; a sister – Betty Sullivan of Goreville; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and many dear friends.

In addition to her parents, Vennetta was preceded in death by a son – Dallas

Maze; a daughter-in-law – Crystal Maze; a grandson – Wesley Franklin Maze; and sisters – Velma Hottis, Lois Brewer, Louise Pritchett, and Ina Fosse.

Vennetta was a 1956 graduate of Goreville High School. She was the valedictorian of her graduating class. Vennetta earned a scholarship to Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.

Vennetta was employed for 32 years at the Goreville State Bank (later Regions Bank). She served in a number of capacities in the bank, prior to her retirement at the age of 72 years.

Vennetta enjoyed crafting and creating ceramic figures. She is fondly remembered for her love of family, friends and community. Vennetta had both a smile and a personality that would light up a room. Through the years, she has sent countless birthday, anniversary, and special occasion cards to not only her family but also to friends and acquaintances. These cards and notes of greeting were often accompanied by a stick of Big Red chewing gum.

Vennetta was a faithful Christian. She was a member of McKinney Chapel Freewill Baptist Church near the Lake of Egypt. Vennetta served as the church secretary/treasurer for many years.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon, September 4, 2024, at 1 P.M. at McKinney Chapel Freewill Baptist Church, 532 McKinney Chapel Road, Marion, Illinois. Rev. Gary Clark will officiate.

Burial will be in the Friendship Cemetery near Goreville, Illinois.

Visitation will be conducted Wednesday, September 4, 2024, from 10 A.M. until the funeral hour at 1 P.M. at McKinney Chapel Freewill Baptist Church.

Memorials may be made to Friendship Cemetery, 3544 Alum Cave Road,
Marion, Illinois 62959.

Cemetery Details

Friendship Cemetery

1635 Friendship Loop
Goreville, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 4. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

McKinney Chapel Freewill Baptist Church
532 McKinney Chapel Road
Marion, IL 62959

Service

SEP 4. 1:00 PM (CT)

McKinney Chapel Freewill Baptist Church
532 McKinney Chapel Road
Marion, IL 62959

Tribute Wall

CB

“ Carol Orange Bryant sent a virtual gift in memory of Vennetta Maze



Carol Orange Bryant - September 04, 2024 at 12:08 PM

CH

“ Thank you for always cashing my checks for me, it was just between us ❤️



Chris - September 03, 2024 at 09:34 PM

GB

“ Goreville CUSD#1 Board/Faculty/Staff purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Vennetta Maze.



Goreville CUSD#1 Board/Faculty/Staff - September 03, 2024 at 08:03 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Vennetta Maze.



September 03, 2024 at 05:33 PM

CK

“ Clyde, Everett, Britany, Kirsten purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Vennetta Maze.



Clyde, Everett, Britany, Kirsten - September 03, 2024 at 12:18 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Vennetta Maze.



September 03, 2024 at 09:43 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Vennetta Maze.



September 02, 2024 at 08:25 PM

JF

“ Jeanette, Roland, Ray and families. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Vennetta Maze.

Jeanette, Roland, Ray and families. - September 02, 2024 at 08:25 PM

LG

“ Lora Goddard lit a candle in memory of Vennetta Maze



Lora Goddard - September 02, 2024 at 07:10 PM

TR

“ Tony Maze, Kelly, Lacey, Justin, Roger, planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Vennetta Maze.

Tony Maze, Kelly, Lacey, Justin, Roger, - September 02, 2024 at 03:28 PM

TR

“ Tony Maze, Kelly, Lacey, Justin, Roger, purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Vennetta Maze.



Tony Maze, Kelly, Lacey, Justin, Roger, - September 02, 2024 at 03:28 PM

KA

“ Such a special lady who was one of my parents dearest friends. I know there's a happy reunion in Heaven. Praying for comfort, peace & strength for all her family.



Kathy(Black)Holt - September 01, 2024 at 08:39 PM

CH

“ Venetta was such a sweet soul. Always loved her smile. One of the pillars of Mckinney Chapel where I started my journey in my relationship with Jesus Christ. Prayers for the family as they go through this chapter in life. May God's peace overtake your grief very soon allowing good memories to prevail. Cindy (Henderson) Hobgood.

Cindy Hobgood - September 01, 2024 at 07:06 PM

BF

“ Bob & Linda Forbes lit a candle in memory of Venetta Maze



Bob & Linda Forbes - September 01, 2024 at 05:48 PM

RM

“ Rita M. purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Venetta Maze.



Rita M. - September 01, 2024 at 04:28 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Venetta Maze.



September 01, 2024 at 02:41 PM

LV

“ Larry & Kim Vaughn lit a candle in memory of Vennetta Maze



Larry & Kim Vaughn - August 31, 2024 at 07:27 PM

MS

“ Michael S. purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Vennetta Maze.



Michael S. - August 31, 2024 at 06:36 PM

MS

“ I remember very vividly the first time I met Vennetta Maze. She was sitting with her husband and three of her sons at the local Goreville restaurant. I already met and knew Harold. He introduced me to his wife and then I said, "Who are these three guys?" She told me they were her sons and she had 2 more. 5! Not only did she have 5 sons, but they were average to above average size making mom look kinda tiny! Harold spoke up quickly and said, "It's in the genes!" I guess so. I had met Vennetta several more times over the years and found her to be one of the most pleasant persons with whom to speak. I still can't get over 5 sons! Thanks to her and Harold, 5 gentlemen. I appreciate the opportunity to know her and her family.

michael scott - August 31, 2024 at 06:33 PM

MF

“ Mike Favors lit a candle in memory of Vennetta Maze



Mike Favors - August 31, 2024 at 06:32 PM

TF

“ The Phillips Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Vennetta Maze.



The Phillips Family - August 31, 2024 at 06:31 PM

SJ

“ Steve & Darla Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of Vennetta Maze



Steve & Darla Jones - August 31, 2024 at 06:31 PM

DS

“ Del and Vonda Street planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Vennetta Maze.

Del and Vonda Street - August 31, 2024 at 05:34 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Vennetta Maze.*



August 31, 2024 at 05:34 PM



“ *McKinney Chapel Church Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Vennetta Maze.*

McKinney Chapel Church Family - August 31, 2024 at 05:26 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Vennetta Maze.*



August 31, 2024 at 05:26 PM