



## Verna (McNeely) Taylor

February 6, 1927 - March 20, 2024

To join the livestream broadcast of Mrs. Taylor's funeral service, please select the link below. The livestream will begin at 10:55 A.M. Saturday, March 23, 2024. The service will be archived and will be available for viewing for 90 days following the date of the service.

<https://view.oneroomstreaming.com/index.php?data=MTcxMTA1NjM3MzMwMTI4MCZvbmVyb29tLWFKbWluJmNvcHlfbGluaw==>

Verna (McNeely) Taylor, age 97 years, a resident of rural Vienna, Illinois, passed away Wednesday morning, March 20, 2024, at 8:35 A.M. at the Southgate Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Metropolis, Illinois.

Verna was born February 6, 1927 at the family home in Johnson County Illinois. She was the daughter of John and Oma (Brumley) McNeely.

On February 8, 1947, Verna was united in marriage to Gilbert Taylor at the old Taylor United Methodist Church, north of Vienna. He preceded her in death on November 15, 2018.

Verna is survived by; her sons – Ronald (Joyce) Taylor of Metropolis, Illinois and Greg (Vicky) Taylor of Olathe, Kansas; grandchildren – Amy (Corey) Jeffords of Paducah, Kentucky, Michelle Taylor and Andrew (Bonnie) Taylor all of Olathe, Kansas; great grandchildren – Daniel Noah Jeffords, Isabelle Grace

Jeffords, Paityn Julianna Jeffords, Logan Neil Taylor, and Olyvia Nadene Taylor.

In addition to her parents and husband, Verna was preceded in death by; a granddaughter – Julie Taylor; an infant sister – Dorothy McNeely; and her brothers – Delbert Allen McNeely, Donald Lee McNeely and Troy Eugene McNeely.

Verna was a 1947 graduate of Vienna High School. She was employed as a proofreader by Underwriters Laboratory in Chicago. Following the family's return to Johnson County, Verna was employed as a clerk/cashier at Daniel's Grocery and later by Bill Miles Food Mart.

Verna was a longtime faithful member of the Vienna First United Methodist Church. During the past few years, while she resided in Massac County, Verna attended the Metropolis First Methodist Church.

Verna enjoyed gardening and raising flowers. She also was skilled at many types of hand crafts, including needlepoint, crochet, quilting and bead work. Verna was a longtime member of the Johnson County Homemaker's Extension.

A service honoring the life of Verna Taylor will be conducted Saturday morning, March 23, 2024, at 11 A.M. at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Rick McNeely will officiate.

Burial will be in the Taylor Cemetery, north of Vienna.

Visitation will be held Saturday morning from 9:30 A.M. – 11 A.M. at the funeral home.

Memorials may be made to the Vienna First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1349, Vienna, Illinois 62995, to the Julie Taylor Scholarship, c/o Covenant Theological Seminary, 12330 Conway Road, St. Louis, Missouri 63141-9718, or to the Metropolis First Methodist Church, 100 East 5th Street, Metropolis, Illinois 62960.

# Cemetery Details

## Taylor Cemetery

5616 Highway 45 North  
Vienna, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 23. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home  
705 North First Street  
PO Box 695  
Vienna, IL 62995  
(618) 658-2311  
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Bailey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Verna (McNeely) Taylor*



**Bailey Funeral Home** - March 26, 2024 at 03:15 PM

NB

“ *Nancy Simmons Belford lit a candle in memory of Verna (McNeely) Taylor*



**Nancy Simmons Belford** - March 28, 2024 at 06:56 PM

NB

*I Rem her family well from my childhood she was a fine person*

**Nancy Simmons Belford** - March 28, 2024 at 07:03 PM

DM

“ *Praying for the Peace that comes from GOD will be with you all.*

**Darrel McNeely** - March 23, 2024 at 12:53 PM

AB

“ Anita L Bullock lit a candle in memory of Verna (McNeely) Taylor



Anita L Bullock - March 23, 2024 at 11:16 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Verna (McNeely) Taylor.



March 22, 2024 at 10:05 AM

MH

“ Marsha Hale planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Verna (McNeely) Taylor.

Marsha Hale - March 21, 2024 at 11:51 PM

MH

“ Marsha Hale purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Verna (McNeely) Taylor.



Marsha Hale - March 21, 2024 at 11:51 PM

RK

“ Ron, Becky, Julie, Gentry and Kristen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Verna (McNeely) Taylor.

Ron, Becky, Julie, Gentry and Kristen - March 21, 2024 at 10:48 PM

RK

“ Ron, Becky, Julie, Gentry and Kristen purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Verna (McNeely) Taylor.



Ron, Becky, Julie, Gentry and Kristen - March 21, 2024 at 10:48 PM

TM

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Prayers for all the family.



Tom and Carmen Murrie - March 21, 2024 at 09:03 PM

BJ

“ Barbara Jeffress lit a candle in memory of Verna (McNeely) Taylor



Barbara jeffress - March 21, 2024 at 05:52 PM

JS

“ John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of Verna (McNeely) Taylor



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**John Slack** - March 21, 2024 at 02:12 PM

CR

“ Clearon & Jane Ross-Wright sent a virtual gift in memory of Verna (McNeely) Taylor



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**Clearon & Jane Ross-Wright** - March 21, 2024 at 12:45 PM

CR

*Ronald and Greg and family, so sorry to hear your Mother has passed from this life. No one can take a Mother's place. She was such a sweet lady. May God comfort you all.  
Love and prayers, Clearon & Jane*

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**Clearon & Jane Ross-Wright** - March 21, 2024 at 12:51 PM

SL

“ Prayers to Ron and Joyce and family and Greg and Vicky and family.



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**Steve&Kathy(Whiteside) Lay** - March 21, 2024 at 12:36 PM

JT

“ So sorry for your loss. Always enjoyed seeing her take care of the irises in front of home

Joyce Taylor - March 21, 2024 at 10:59 AM

NB

“ Nancy Breedon lit a candle in memory of Verna (McNeely) Taylor



Nancy Breedon - March 21, 2024 at 07:56 AM

PS

“ Paula Sullivan lit a candle in memory of Verna (McNeely) Taylor



Paula Sullivan - March 21, 2024 at 05:04 AM

KB

“ Karen Brumley lit a candle in memory of Verna (McNeely) Taylor



Karen Brumley - March 20, 2024 at 09:07 PM

WF

“ *Wanda Florey lit a candle in memory of Verna (McNeely) Taylor*



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**Wanda Florey** - March 20, 2024 at 05:37 PM

LW

“ *Sorry to hear of her passing. She and my Moter were friends. Prayers for family.*



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**Linda Shetler Weatherford** - March 20, 2024 at 02:04 PM