



## Vivian Baity

August 29, 1932 - September 11, 2020

Vivian Ruth (Stephens) Baity, age 88 years, a resident of Paducah, Kentucky and a former resident of Goreville and Grantsburg in Johnson County Illinois, passed away Friday morning, September 11, 2020, at 2:36 AM at the Ray and Kay Eckstein Hospice Care Center at Mercy Health in Paducah, Kentucky.

Vivian was born August 29, 1932 in Sharon, Tennessee. She was the daughter of Herman S. and Lila M. (Cletcher) Stephens.

On September 11, 1949, Vivian was united in marriage to Elmer Franklin Baity in Grantsburg, Illinois. He preceded her in death on December 15, 1999.

Vivian is survived by: her children – Milinda (Doug) Harnice of Paducah, Kentucky and Larry (Charlene) Baity of Metropolis; a grandson – Nick (Ayesha) Harnice of St. Charles, Missouri; a great grandson – Zachary Eli Harnice; a brother – Harold (Jane) Stephens of Byron Center, Michigan; as well as a host of nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents and husband, Vivian was preceded in death by: a grandson – Scott Baity; a sister – Tommie Lou Watts; and 2 brothers – James and Hubert Stephens.

Vivian was a 1949 graduate of Vienna High School. She was employed as a

sales associate at the J.C. Penney Department Store in Paducah for a number of years. Additionally, Vivian was an Avon sales representative.

Vivian was a member of the Anna V.F.W. ladies auxiliary. She was also a member of the Goreville United Methodist Church. Vivian enjoyed raising flowers, crafting, crochet, and working jigsaw puzzles. She and Elmer loved ballroom dancing and were members of a ballroom dance group for many years.

A graveside service honoring the life of Vivian Baity will be conducted Sunday afternoon, September 13, 2020, at 4 PM at the Vienna Fraternal Cemetery. Pastor Tommy Tucker will officiate.

Those attending the service are invited to gather at the cemetery at 3:45 PM Sunday.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 805 West DeYoung Street, Suite B, Marion, Illinois 62959; the American Diabetes Association, 2451 Crystal Drive, Suite 900, Arlington, Virginia 22202; or to the Arthritis Foundation, 1355 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 300, Atlanta, Georgia 30309.

Those attending the service are asked to observe customarily accepted social distancing guidelines. The wearing of a face mask or face covering is strongly encouraged.

# Cemetery Details

## Vienna Fraternal Cemetery

N. 6th Street  
Vienna, IL

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

SEP 13. 4:00 PM (CT)

Vienna Fraternal Cemetery  
N. 6th Street  
Vienna, IL

# Tribute Wall



“ *Vivian Baity*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *Tom & Carmen Murrie lit a candle in memory of Vivian Baity*



**Tom & Carmen Murrie** - September 14, 2020 at 09:21 AM



*So sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers for all.*

**Tom & Carmen Murrie** - September 14, 2020 at 09:21 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. She was a very pretty lady inside & out.*



**Sondra Goins** - September 14, 2020 at 02:27 AM



“ *Maxine Hood lit a candle in memory of Vivian Baity*



**Maxine Hood** - September 13, 2020 at 06:58 PM

HB

“ Henry And Frances Bullock lit a candle in memory of Vivian Baity



Henry and Frances Bullock - September 13, 2020 at 02:50 AM

SL

“ Steve&Kathy Lay sent a virtual gift in memory of Vivian Baity



Steve&Kathy Lay - September 12, 2020 at 10:45 PM

DH

“ Milinda, Larry and all your family, I am so sorry for your loss. Vivian made my wedding dress when I married in 1974. She did beautiful work! Such a sweet lady with a beautiful smile!

Debbie Jennings Hillebrand - September 12, 2020 at 10:38 PM

JL

“ So sorry for your lose but you will see her again. AND she saw her great grandchild! Such a blessing.

Jan Levinson - September 12, 2020 at 07:12 PM

SJ

“ Steve & Darla Jones lit a candle in memory of  
Vivian Baity



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**Steve & Darla Jones** - September 12, 2020 at 01:36 PM

AB

“ Anita L Bullock lit a candle in memory of  
Vivian Baity



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**Anita L Bullock** - September 12, 2020 at 12:51 PM

MH

“ Prayers for you all. She was a very nice lady.  
Mary Lou Botarf Hynes



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**Mary Lou Botarf Hynes** - September 12, 2020 at 12:17 PM

JM

“ Jeannie McCall lit a candle in memory of  
Vivian Baity



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**Jeannie McCall** - September 12, 2020 at 11:20 AM

JM

*Vivian was a beautiful, kind person whom I admired so much. Prayers to the families.*

**Jeannie McCall** - September 12, 2020 at 11:21 AM

SC

“ *Vivian was such a warm and wonderful lady, and SO pretty!!! She was always smiling.*



**Susan Cummins Cochran** - September 12, 2020 at 08:09 AM

SC

“ *Im so sorry for your loss Charlene and Larry.. I had no idea about Vivian till i seen this.. Alyssa and I love you and miss you sooo much.. We will keep yall in our thoughts and prayers, and if you need anything please dont hesitate to ask.. Lord knows you have been a here for us..*



**Shekinah Cheek** - September 12, 2020 at 02:52 AM

AS

“ *Aquilla Smith lit a candle in memory of Vivian Baity*



**Aquilla Smith** - September 11, 2020 at 08:45 PM

SL

“ Shirley Trail Lanier lit a candle in memory of Vivian Baity



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**Shirley Trail Lanier** - September 11, 2020 at 06:28 PM

NB

“ Nancy Breedon lit a candle in memory of Vivian Baity



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**Nancy Breedon** - September 11, 2020 at 06:08 PM

JW

“ Jane Ross Wright sent a virtual gift in memory of Vivian Baity



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**Jane Ross Wright** - September 11, 2020 at 05:54 PM

JW

*May God comfort you all..Sending our sincere sympathy and prayers to our dear friends.  
Clearon and Jane Ross-Wright*

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**Jane Ross Wright** - September 11, 2020 at 06:00 PM

JS

“ *John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Vivian Baity*



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**John Slack** - September 11, 2020 at 05:47 PM