



## Bessie Jackson

June 29, 1924 - June 12, 2016

Bessie M. Jackson, age 91, of Centralia, IL, passed away on Sunday, June 12, 2016 at 4:35 A.M. at SSM Health St. Mary's Hospital in Centralia, IL. Bessie was born on June 29, 1924 in Irvington, IL, daughter to James McKinzie and Carrie Mae (Raines) McKinzie. On June 28, 1942, she married Robert W. Jackson in Maplewood, MO and he preceded her in death on July 13, 2015. She is survived by two daughters, Lynette Murray of Centralia, IL and Bobbie McBride and husband Oren of Evansville, IN; a brother, Kenneth McKinzie and wife Betty of Woodlawn; a daughter-in-law, Joyce Courter of Terra Haute, IN; one brother-in-law, John Jackson and wife Rose of Centralia, IL; two sisters-in-law, Donna Jackson of Centralia, IL and Elisabeth Jackson of Centralia, IL; nine grandchildren, Cheryl Dunn and husband John, Tim McBride and friend Ben Ashley, Chris McBride and wife Jenny, Robert Murray and wife Christi, Tracy Whitlock and fiancé Chris Folmsbee, Lisa Hill and husband Jason, Melanie Wathan and husband Jack, Jessica Tate and husband Dan, and Julie McCoy and husband Josh; 20 great-grandchildren; seven great-great-grandchildren; and numerous dear nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her parents; two sons, Billy Dale Jackson, who was killed in Vietnam in 1968, and Kevin Jackson, who passed in 2006, after battling cancer for ten years; a brother, Wesley McKinzie, five sisters-in-law: Louise Scoggins, Vernell Harding, Maimie Jackson, Mary Jackson and Doris McKinzie, and five brothers-in-law: James Jackson, Kenneth Jackson, Donald Jackson, Billy Jackson, and Lee Harding. Bessie

was of the Protestant faith. Bessie's greatest enjoyment was spending time with her family and friends. Funeral services for Bessie Jackson will be held Thursday, June 16, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home in Centralia with John Willis officiating. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Centralia. Visitation will be held on Thursday, June 16, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association and will be received at the funeral home. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting [www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com](http://www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. McBride, I am so sorry for your loss. I will keep you and your family in my prayers.* Amanda Moorhouse Medical Care

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**Amanda Moorhouse** - June 15, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *RIH Grandma!! Give our family up there a great big hug for me!! I'm sure gonna miss you!! I love you!!*

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**Melanie Wathan** - June 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.*

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**Debbie Opolony** - June 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *May your memories of the wonderful times you shared with your loved one comfort you and your family, today and always.*

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