



Peggy L. Coleman

November 12, 1946 - March 1, 2025

It is with deep sorrow and much love that we mourn the passing of Peggy L. Coleman, 78, of Centralia, Illinois, who passed away on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at Barnes Hospital in St. Louis, MO. Peggy leaves behind a legacy of kindness and dedication to the many lives she has touched.

Born on November 12, 1946, in Centralia, IL, she was the daughter of Louis Boyd Coleman and Katie (Owens) Coleman. A lifelong and devoted member of New Bethel Baptist Church, Peggy actively participated in both worship and community service. She supervised the Junior Usher Board for many years and was an active member of the Culinary Committee and Senior Usher Board. She also served as President of the Building Fund Club for approximately 30 years. Her faith guided her life, and her generosity and compassion were evident in everything she did.

She found immense joy in preparing large meals and welcoming family and friends to gather around her table, where love and laughter were always served in abundance.

Peggy dedicated 29 years of service to the Hollywood Candy Factory, where she was more than an employee—she was a guiding presence, uplifting colleagues with her wisdom and warmth. She served as a shift supervisor until the factory burned down. Undeterred, she continued her work ethic at Goody's and later at JC Penney's, where her kindness and dedication remained constant.

Peggy was preceded in death by her parents, Katie and Boyd Coleman; her

brother, Malcom Bryant; her sister, Linda Jones; and her beloved nephew, Edward "Teddy" Rouse, whom she loved like a son.

She leaves behind her beloved brother and sister, Ken L. Coleman and wife Caretha of Los Altos Hills, CA, and Dr. Clara Coleman-Voss and husband Rick of Tracy, CA. Peggy is also survived by her brother-in-law, Earl Jones of Centralia; and the two she cherished as the closest thing to children, her special niece Lynette Jones and special nephew Jonathan Jones. She also leaves behind a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends who will fondly remember her warmth and laughter.

"Peggy's unwavering faith, generosity, and love for family and friends will live on in the hearts of all who knew her. She never met a stranger. She believed in the power of gathering around the dinner table, making every meal a celebration of love."

A visitation will be held on Friday, March 7, 2025, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home

Located at 235 North Sycamore St. in Centralia. A funeral service honoring Peggy Coleman will take place at New Bethel Baptist Church located at 501 N. Sycamore St. in Centralia on Saturday, March 8, 2025, at 11:00 am, with Elder Molia Strickland and Rev. Ron Johnson officiating. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Centralia.

In memory of Peggy, the family kindly requests that donations be made to the Building Fund Club at New Bethel Baptist Church. Contributions will be accepted by the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home at 235 North Sycamore St., Centralia, IL 62801 (618) 532-3523, who is honored to be of service to the Peggy Coleman Family. As Peggy loved flowers, flowers are also welcome. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com and on the Funeral Home's Facebook page.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 7. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home
235 N. Sycamore Street
Centralia, IL 62801

Funeral Service

MAR 8. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM.

New Bethel Baptist Church

Tribute Wall



“ *Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Peggy L. Coleman*



Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services - March 07, 2025 at 04:31 PM



“ *We are deeply saddened by the loss of our beloved matriarch, whose wisdom and strength have been a guiding force of our family. Expressing her love through hosting gatherings and cooking delicious meals, Peggy united our family with her unwavering devotion, and her legacy of togetherness will live on in each of us. We mourn her passing, and honor her incredible life and the lasting impact she had on all who knew her. Her love for us was boundless, and though she is no longer with us, her spirit of connection will remain in our hearts, shaping our family for generations to come.*

With love and prayers from your Detroit family.

Gabrielle Gordon - March 08, 2025 at 12:18 PM

CA

“ Peggy, my friend, President of New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, Building Fund Committee. I will forever Miss you, your wisdom and our many Friday nite phone conversations. May God keep you in his loving arms. Rest well my Darling. Love you and family. Carol Downey 🙏

CarolDowney - March 07, 2025 at 11:17 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Peggy L. Coleman.



March 07, 2025 at 01:00 PM

EF

“ Edda & Bernard Coleman and family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Peggy L. Coleman.



Edda & Bernard Coleman and family - March 07, 2025 at 09:25 AM

JL

“ Juanita and Willie Lott purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Peggy L. Coleman.



Juanita and Willie Lott - March 06, 2025 at 07:44 PM

KH

“ Keshia & Diane Hudson purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Peggy L. Coleman.



Keshia & Diane Hudson - March 06, 2025 at 02:58 PM

DC

“ Debra Connelly planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peggy L. Coleman.

Debra Connelly - March 06, 2025 at 02:37 PM

DC

“ Debra Connelly purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Peggy L. Coleman.



Debra Connelly - March 06, 2025 at 02:37 PM

LD

“ Lloyd & Suzanne Dean planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peggy L. Coleman.

Lloyd & Suzanne Dean - March 06, 2025 at 12:41 PM

LD

“ Lloyd & Suzanne Dean purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Peggy L. Coleman.



Lloyd & Suzanne Dean - March 06, 2025 at 12:41 PM

DP

“ Debra and Paul planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peggy L. Coleman.

Debra and Paul - March 06, 2025 at 12:25 AM

DP

“ Debra and Paul purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Peggy L. Coleman.



Debra and Paul - March 06, 2025 at 12:25 AM

MJ

“ Marsha Jackson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Peggy L. Coleman.

Marsha Jackson - March 06, 2025 at 12:14 AM

MJ

“ Marsha Jackson purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Peggy L. Coleman.



Marsha Jackson - March 06, 2025 at 12:14 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Peggy L. Coleman.*



March 05, 2025 at 07:37 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Peggy L. Coleman.

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