



Mrs. Sue Penix McGhee

October 20, 1943 - November 4, 2025

Sue McGhee, 82, of DeWitt, transitioned to her heavenly home on Tuesday, November 4, 2025. She was born October 20, 1943, to Walter and Mabel Smith Penix in Tuckerman, Arkansas.

She attended Harding University, then transferred to the University of Arkansas at Monticello, where she earned her bachelor's degree in education. She began her teaching career in DeWitt, teaching first grade. She realized her true passion for younger children and continued teaching first grade until her retirement in 2005, after dedicating 32 years to education.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Sue is survived by her husband, Aubrey McGhee, of 56 years, her two children Alan (Latricia) McGhee of Harrison and Allison (Larry Dale) Hudson of Ethel; five grandchildren Ian Dyer (Holly), Hayden (Morgan) Hearn, Rylee Hearn (Brayton), Tanner (Maranda) MCGhee, and Maci (Randall) Fox. She also had 12 great grandchildren, all of whom she loved dearly. Sue is also survived by her brother David Penix and two nephews David, Jr. and Joey Penix.

Sue was a lifelong, faithful member of the Church of Christ.

Visitation will be at Essex Funeral Home Friday, November 7 from 1-2 p.m. with funeral services beginning at 2:00. Burial will follow in Cedarcrest Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorials be sent to the Caring and Sharing Food Pantry, P.O. Box 8, DeWitt, AR 72042.

Cemetery Details

Cedarcrest Memorial Gardens

Hwy 1
DeWitt, AR 72042

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 7. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Essex Funeral Home
1405 South Grandview
DeWitt, AR 72042
(870) 946-3104
<https://www.essexfuneralhome.com>

Service

NOV 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

BE

“ So sorry for your loss. She was my first grade teacher back in 1976-1977. I have never forgotten that smile. My prayers are with her family.

Barbara (Cary) Eldredge - November 10, 2025 at 12:32 PM

RC

“ Aubrey,
You have our heart felt sympathy at this time of loss. Praying God's comfort and healing for you and your family.
Paul & Rhonda Chatham

Rhonda Chatham - November 06, 2025 at 11:53 PM

JJ

“ Joan, Dee, Joni, Jan and Julie purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Mrs. Sue Penix McGhee.



Joan, Dee, Joni, Jan and Julie - November 06, 2025 at 11:01 AM

JF

“ Our deepest sympathy! ❤️❤️❤️🕊️🕊️🕊️🙏



James Hageman family - November 06, 2025 at 02:06 AM

MG

“ Sue was my best friend and neighbor in Tuckerman until I moved away and we lost contact. I'm thankful I was able to reconnect a few years ago through Facebook. My thoughts and prayers are with the entire McGhee family.

Mary Goode

Mary Goode - November 05, 2025 at 11:03 PM

TD

“ 🙏🙏 So sorry for your loss.. thoughts and prayers for the family and many friends.

Ted Dailey - November 05, 2025 at 09:50 PM

FF

“ From the Cates family. purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Sue Penix McGhee.



From the Cates family. - November 05, 2025 at 06:33 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Sue Penix McGhee.



November 05, 2025 at 05:35 PM

JW

“ I loved her in first grade!!!!): rest in peace sweet lady

Jenny wages - November 05, 2025 at 05:29 PM