



Lenora Downing

December 1, 1943 - July 22, 2025

Lenora Downing, 81, of Carthage, Missouri, passed away on Tuesday, July 22, 2025, surrounded by her loving family. Lenora was born on December 1, 1943, in The Dalles, Oregon, to Bill and Barbara Tidwell. She was a caregiver at St. John's Hospital and at Royce Manor Nursing Home where she retired. Lenora liked her work, but also enjoyed flower gardening, yard work, and watching and taking care of the birds by filling up her bird feeders.

Lenora is survived by her three sons, Ed Downing (Norma) of Avilla, Missouri, Brett Downing (Lorie) of Joplin, Missouri, and Ruben Downing (Vicki) of Alexander, Arkansas; three sisters, Joanna Haynes of Tennessee, Mary Goss (Carl) of Ava, Missouri, and Donna Reed of Miller, Missouri; one brother-in-law, Danny Douglas of Norwood, Missouri; grandchildren, Clarence Downing, Erin Downing, Tisha Lee, Brenna Hawkins, Kristie Zimmer, Melissa Salyer; numerous great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Lenora was preceded in death by one grandson, Josh Boyd; two sisters, Susie Graham, and Myra "Skippy" Douglas; and one brother-in-law, Brick Reed.

There will be a memorial service for Lenora at 3:00 PM on Monday, July 28, 2025, at Ulmer Funeral Home in Carthage, Missouri. The visitation will be at 2:00 PM on Monday prior to her service.

Online condolences may be made at www.ulmerfh.com.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JUL 28. 2:00 PM (CT)

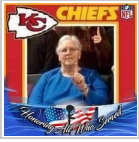
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Tribute Wall



“ *Ed, Brett, and Rueben
I am so sorry to hear about your mother! I remember the
times we had doing booster club while you were all in
school! Prayers for you all!*
Racine Palmer



Racine Palmer - August 20, 2025 at 03:48 AM



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Ulmer Funeral Home - July 27, 2025 at 06:12 PM

BB

“ *Ed, Brett, Reuben, and families,
So sorry to hear about your mom. Thinking of you, and sending hugs.*
Brenda Cunningham Bryant

Brenda Bryant - July 26, 2025 at 05:00 PM

PA

“ *We are so sorry for your family's loss. You are all in our thoughts and prayers
during this difficult time.*

The Vintage Stock Family

Paula - July 24, 2025 at 10:20 AM