



Mrs. Betty Jean McKnight

November 3, 1938 - September 18, 2025

Funeral services for Mrs. Betty McKnight, 86, of Carthage, Texas will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday, September 20, 2025, at the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Dennis Landtroop officiating. Burial will follow in McKnight Cemetery, Cushing, Texas, under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Visitation will be 10-11:00 a.m. Saturday prior to the service.

Mrs. Betty Jean McIntosh McKnight was born November 3, 1938, in Upshur County to Buford and Eva Gladys McIntosh. She was a faithful member of the Sanctuary of Pentecost. On July 3, 1954, Betty married the love of her life, Mr. Wayne McKnight. Together, they built a beautiful life and a marriage that reflected the true meaning of love and devotion. Their lives were blessed with children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandson. Their love story remains a cherished example to all who knew them. Mrs. McKnight passed away on September 18th, 2025, surrounded by the people she loved the most.

Mrs. Betty McKnight was a woman whose life was defined by love, selflessness, and grace. Betty pursued her education at Panola College and went on to work for First National Bank. Of all her accomplishments, however, her greatest joy and purpose came from caring for her beloved son, Allen McKnight. She devoted her life to him with unwavering love, never once complaining, and always carrying the biggest, most beautiful smile on her face. Her strength, cheerful spirit, and nurturing heart were a testament to the depth of her love and the true meaning of sacrifice and motherhood.

Betty had a gift for bringing people together. She was known as the best cook, she enjoyed preparing meals and hosting cherished family gatherings. Her home was always filled with warmth, laughter, and the delicious aromas of her kitchen. Beyond her love of cooking, she enjoyed bowling, playing bingo, and, most of all, spending time with her family. Spoiling her grandchildren, great grandchildren, and her great-great grandson brought her immeasurable joy, and her presence will forever be treasured in their hearts. She was preceded in death by her parents; her infant sister, Bobbie McIntosh; her loving husband Wayne McKnight; and her daughter-in-law, Marianna McKnight.

Left to honor her me

mory are her children: Cynthia McKnight, Allen McKnight, and Danny McKnight, all of Carthage. She is also survived by her grandchildren: Anita Ebarb of Carthage, Brandon Ishee of Carthage, Stephanie Taylor and husband Ty of Shelbyville, Lisa Aleman and husband Jeremy of Houston, and David McKnight of Carthage. Her great-grandchildren include James Ebarb, Dillon Ebarb, Maycie Ishee, and Jett Ishee, all of Carthage, as well as Daniel, Tanner, Madison, and MacKenzie Taylor of Shelbyville. Betty also leaves behind her sisters, Joan Plunkett and husband Vick of Carthage, and Jaunell Howard and husband Curtis of Tarkington, along with numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and extended family who loved her dearly.

Betty McKnight's legacy is one of love, sacrifice, and faithfulness. She will be remembered as a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend. A woman whose kindness, generosity, and smile touched every life she encountered.

Cemetery Details

McKnight Cemetery Cushing Texas

248 CR 975
Cushing, TX 75760

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **20**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home
307 West Wellington Street
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Funeral Service

SEP **20**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel
307 W Wellington St.
Carthage, Tx

Tribute Wall



“ Hawthorn Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean McKnight



Hawthorn Funeral Home - September 19, 2025 at 04:25 PM



“ Vicki Pinkerton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean McKnight



Vicki Pinkerton - September 25, 2025 at 06:15 PM



“ Jaunell we are so sorry for your loss. Our prayers, thoughts and love are with you and your family. Goldie and Dale Schall

Goldie - September 24, 2025 at 09:24 AM



“ Denise Ewing & Louise McIntosh planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Betty Jean McKnight.

Denise Ewing & Louise McIntosh - September 19, 2025 at 04:21 PM

DM

“ Denise Ewing & Louise McIntosh purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Mrs. Betty Jean McKnight.



Denise Ewing & Louise McIntosh - September 19, 2025 at 04:21 PM

DE

“ My mom Louise McIntosh often spoke of all the great memories she had with Mrs. Betty. We would communicate through Facebook mostly. She would message me if mom got hacked 😂 and would ask if I could fix it for her. The best was if I post a picture and she would say. You look just like your mom! ☐ She was the absolute sweetest. Out of all the stories my mom would share, the one I remember the most is her devotion to Allen Wayne. Exceptional example of a mother and her love for her children. Mrs. Betty, fly high beautiful. You have so many wonderful souls waiting. You are loved and will be missed so much.



T. D. Ewing (Carson)

Denise Ewing - September 19, 2025 at 04:09 PM

JD

“ Dear family, we have so many sweet memories of Betty and your Dad. They were an example for all of us. Cherish your precious times you had with them and keep them close to your hearts.

With our love,

Jerry Don and Pat Edens Dorman

Isaiah 40:31



Jerry Don and Pat Edens Dorman - September 19, 2025 at 12:51 PM

PL

“ Mrs. Betty was a perfect example of unconditional love and devotion. My heart is sad for her family she leaves behind, knowing how much they will miss her, but I rejoice with them in knowing that she is resting in the arms of her Savior, Jesus!

Patti LaGrone - September 19, 2025 at 12:00 PM

JP

“ My heart hurts due to the loss of my beautiful sister. She devoted her life to her family and others. Tragedy hit their family in 1974. She sacrificed the rest of her life to care for her son, while still caring for the rest of the family. May you RIP until I see you again.

Joan Plunkett - September 19, 2025 at 10:10 AM

JY

“ Prayers for all.

Jeff/Cathy Youngblood - September 19, 2025 at 08:31 AM

AM

“ Our condolences to the McKnight family.

Ann Morris - September 18, 2025 at 10:22 PM

HH

“ Our love and condolences ..HeartsWay Hospice staff.



HeartsWay Hospice - September 18, 2025 at 09:45 PM

KF

“ *Krista Kilgore Furtick lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Jean McKnight*



Krista Kilgore Furtick - September 18, 2025 at 06:06 PM