



## Irene Collins McCracken

July 15, 1928 - December 17, 2018

Irene Collins McCracken, age 90, died December 17, 2018 at Wellmont Bristol Regional Medical Center.

She was a resident of Washington County, VA, loved her family and was a hardworking and honest woman. You always felt welcome in her home.

She was a member of Gum Hill Baptist Church.

Along with her parents Edward A. and Finnie Mae Leonard Collins she was preceded in death by her husband, James Ralph McCracken; brother, Fred C. Collins; sister, Geneva Collins; twin sister, Marie Fleenor

Irene is survived by her sister, Ackie Barker of Bristol, TN; brothers, Grady Collins of Bristol, VA and Bruce Collins and wife, Jackie of Maryland; several nieces and nephews.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the Doctors and RN's of 2 West for the wonderful care they gave to Irene.

The funeral service will be conducted at 1:00 P.M., Friday, December 21, 2018 in Mountain View Cemetery Mausoleum with Pastor Sam Haynes officiating. Burial will follow in Mountain View Cemetery.

Condolences may be sent to the family at [akardfuneralhome.com](http://akardfuneralhome.com)

Akard Funeral Home, 1912 West State St., Bristol, TN (423) 989-4800 is serving the McCracken family.

# Comments

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“ Irene was more than just a neighbor . . . she was family to us. Whether with intention or not, she always showered us with love and warmth that one could only feel from a mother/grandmother. She was kind to a fault . . . I never heard her say an ill-word about anyone. She was loving . . . with a genuine heart. Honest as the day is long. And, she was compassionate, loyal, trustworthy, and . . . she was the person you went to, who never had to say a word, never pried into anything, yet the one person you felt secure with when the world was treating you badly. Just sitting on the porch with her . . . brought peace and calmness. When I was little, she always bought me a Christmas present, which always had a "Little Golden Book;" she no doubt instilled my love for reading. The world is far less brighter without her! Thank you, Irene, for a lifetime of love you gave to each of us.

**Rhonda** - December 18, 2018 at 06:58 PM