



## Mary McCarty

January 9, 1929 - November 23, 2020

Mary M. McCarty was born Mary Magdalene Lloyd on January 9, 1929 in Pope, Mississippi to the union of Chalmus and Robbie Lloyd. She was the second child of a set of twins of four children born to this union-Ruby, Mary, Martha and Willie Earl Lloyd. The family traveled back and forth from Pope to Courtland, Mississippi for church, where Mary was baptized at an early age under Elder Ford. Mary went to school in Pope, Mississippi. The family moved to Robbins, IL in 1948 and joined a community church there under Pastor Jones.

Mary met Cleatie Ivy in 1952 and they later married and in 1959 moved from Robbins to Momence, IL. Mary's husband farmed and they raised and grew their meats, vegetables and fruits. She loved gardening, canning and preserving fruits and vegetables. She worked at St. Mary's Hospital and for Kroehler Furniture Company. In 1970, life changed with the passing of Cleatie.

With her children all grown, she left Momence in 1973 and moved to Kankakee, IL and started going to True Vine Church of God in Christ under Pastor Abram Lane.

She met and courted Evangelist Lonnie McCarty and in February of 1975 they were married. She went to work as a housekeeper and worked for several families, the Kennedys, the Sales, Attorney Bigott and the Martells. Her husband became ill in 1993, she took care of him until the Lord called him home in 1997. She joined Fair Haven Church of God in Christ in 1995. She loved going to church, going out to eat with her friends and talking with her friends. To her that was pastime. She served on the Mother' Board.

In 2018, Mary became ill. It was hard to walk or drive so she learned to stay home; calling friends and talking on the phone. She had arthritis. When it got where it was hard to hold a phone, she would state, "I am going home soon." Our Lord called her and she left 11/23/2020 and went home to be with Him.

She touched many with a handshake and a beautiful smile and generosity. She would give you what you asked of her, if she had it.

Mary McCarty leaves to cherish her memory, sons, Walter (Cateena) Ivy of Kankakee, IL and Maurice (Norma) Lloyd of Momence, IL; a daughter, Mary Ann Lloyd of Chicago, IL; stepdaughters, Cleatie Ivy Butler, Curtis Butler of Hopkins Parks, IL, Halsie Ivy Mosley of

Kankakee, IL and Cynthia Pickens-Rhodes of Champaign, IL; sister, Ruby DeBose of Harvey, IL; sister-in-law and best friend, Lucille Ivy of Sun River Terrace, IL; sister-in-law, Annie Lloyd of Harvey, IL; special cousin, Maxine Jones Henry of Anchorage, Alaska. She was a mother and aunt to her twin sister's children, the Smalleys, Shirland, Jerry, Jewel, Malinda, Earlean, Kenny, Kathleen, Dennis, John, Denise and James. Special friends, Tabytha Dunigan, Vietta Coffee and Mother Baptist. 16 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husbands, Lonnie McCarty and Cleatie Ivy; grandchildren, Kellie K. Ivy, Rockmon C. Ivy and Martha Smalley; brother, Willie Earl Lloyd; her parents, Chalmus and Robbie Lloyd; eight aunts, one uncle; three sisters-in-law and four brothers-in-law.

# Cemetery

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# Events

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**Momence Cemetery**

Ganeer Township, IL,

**DEC 4 Visitation 03:00PM - 07:00PM**

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Lax Mortuary

187 S. Greenwood Avenue, Kankakee, IL, US, 60901

**DEC 5 Visitation 09:00AM - 10:00AM**

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Second Baptist Church

717 N. Wildwood, Kankakee, IL, US

**DEC 5 Service 10:00AM**

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# Comments

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“ Renee Fulton lit a candle in memory of Mary McCarty



**Renee Fulton** - December 07, 2020 at 08:36 PM

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“ Janet Roberson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary McCarty



**Janet Roberson** - December 05, 2020 at 08:43 PM

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“ H2Owalker Family (Jan, Maximus and Chassie)  
May God give comfort to the family in such a time as this. Hat's off and peace be with those (Her son Walter Ivy, his wife Cateena and their granddaughter Kesha) who took care of Mother Mary in her greatest time of need.



**Janet Roberson** - December 05, 2020 at 07:37 AM

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“ To the Ivy Family. We, the McCarty family share our sincere condolences on the passing of our Aunt Mary. Rest in peace.



**Christine McCarty-Booker** - December 04, 2020 at 03:43 PM

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“ We are so sad to hear of Miss Mary's passing. She was a lovely person, with a wonderful heart. She made me for my birthday a heavenly caramel cake. To the McCarty and Ivy families ,you are in our hearts and prayers with deepest sympathy



**Marvin and Denise Schrum** - December 03, 2020 at 06:59 PM

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“ JOANN FORD-BOX



**JOANN BOX** - December 03, 2020 at 06:13 PM

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“ Debbie Autman lit a candle in memory of Mary McCarty



**Debbie Autman** - December 03, 2020 at 10:57 AM

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“ Mother, you Were Always so Kind to Me, May you Rest in Jesus Arms

**Violet Jackson** - December 04, 2020 at 05:29 PM

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“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Mary McCarty.



December 03, 2020 at 09:15 AM

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“ My sincere condolences to the family! That was my girl always smiling and telling me I was just like my mom, Carrie Baptist. Mother Mary was beautiful inside out! She will be missed on this earth, such a lovely person.!

**Carolyn Hester** - December 03, 2020 at 06:44 AM

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“ So sorry to hear about the passing of my mother's best friend. They always enjoyed going out to eat and attending church services together. I will forever remember her beautiful smile and genuine love for everyone she met. Know that you are in my prayers and thoughts.. Praying for strength and comfort which can only be found in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.



**Elayne Coffie** - December 03, 2020 at 01:59 AM

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“ Our condolences to the family prayer are with you Mark & Annie Calbert



**Mark&Annie Calbert** - December 02, 2020 at 08:39 PM

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“ Condolences to the family at this time.



**Brenda Felton** - December 02, 2020 at 06:40 PM

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“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mary McCarty.



December 02, 2020 at 03:10 PM

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“ Mother Ivy always had a smile on her face and a quick word of comfort. What a beautiful spirit she had and her life on earth touched everyone she met. R.I.H. Smile on Mother Ivy.



**Patricia Jamison** - December 02, 2020 at 02:55 PM

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“ To the McCarty & Ivy family I send my condolences along with the thanksgiving for the wonderful blessing of your mother, grandmother, great grandmother in my life. She was so kind to my sisters and brothers for many years. May God's tenderness be with you as you heal over her death, but may you know that Mary rests comfortably in the arms of God. The warm embrace she always gave me as a child and then as an adult is the same that she now gives her heavenly family. -Patrick Kennedy (and our large, appreciative family)

**Patrick Kennedy** - December 02, 2020 at 01:55 PM

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“ My Condolences to the family. Mrs. McCarty was such a nice person. She made the best sweet potatoes pies. She will share them with me at work.



**Ms.Cheryl Wilson and family** - December 02, 2020 at 01:47 PM

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“ Momma Mary I will miss you. Love you truly



**Lynn Holloway** - December 02, 2020 at 12:36 PM