



Visitation & Viewing

**Stockham Family Funeral Home
McPherson, Kansas**

9:30 AM to 10:30 AM, Tuesday, September 22, 2026

Funeral Service

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10:30 AM, Tuesday, September 22, 2026

Officiant

Pastor Andrew Wuerffel

Service Music

"The Old Rugged Cross" by Alan Jackson

"I'll Fly Away" by Alan Jackson

"A Song for Mama" by Boyz II Men

Recessional: "Don't Tell Me" by Chris Marquis

Casket Bearers

Brandon Burch ~ Caden Bachman ~ Dakota Kelley

David Hollingshead ~ Ephram Gosnell ~ Ron Estes

Final Resting Place

**McPherson Cemetery
McPherson, Kansas**

Memorial Donations

**The family suggests memorials be made to
Stockham Family Funeral Home (205 N. Chestnut
St., McPherson, KS 67460) to help with expenses.**

Appreciation

**Betty's family wishes to express sincere
appreciation for all your prayers and kindness,
evidenced in thought and deed, and for your
presence at this service**

Stockham Family Funeral Home



In Loving Memory

Betty Jean Austin

November 30, 1953 - September 10, 2026



A Celebration of Life **Betty Jean Austin**

Betty Jean Austin, 72, of Inman, Kansas and formerly of Welch, West Virginia, peacefully passed away on Thursday, September 10, 2026, surrounded by family at Hospice House, Hutchinson. She was a homemaker.

She was born on November 30, 1953, in Eckman, West Virginia, the daughter of Ralph and Mary Margaret (Stubbs) Austin.

She loved attending church, with Easter Sunday morning holding a particularly special place in her heart. She found joy in playing cards, especially with her best friend, Lulu. She also enjoyed playing board

games, Trouble and Sorry!, listening to all kinds of music, and singing along to her favorite songs. She bowled at Southern Highlands in Welch, WV. Above all, she cherished time spent with her family and especially loved bringing everyone together under one roof.

She enjoyed sitting outside, taking in the beauty of nature and simply enjoying the peaceful moments. You'd often find her enjoying a smoke and drinking a cold Coca-Cola. She also loved cooking and took pleasure in preparing some of her favorite comfort foods, including pork chops, cornbread, spaghetti, macaroni and cheese, collard greens, hamburgers, and hot dogs.

Those who knew her will remember her for her ornery, spunky, and sassy personality. She was a woman who knew what she wanted—and, as her family would fondly say, it was often her way or the highway! Her strong personality, spirited nature, and love for those around her will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered. She would do anything to help another in need and loved her McDowell County kids.

Honor Loving Memory

Survivors include her sons, Lucious Bush (Michelle Burch) of Inman, KS and Ricky Sawyers (Anita) of Princeton, WV; brother, Gilbert Stubbs (Kenya); sister, Mary Scott; grandchildren, Dakota Kelley, Kiley Kelley, Caden Bachman, Shaylee Burch, Ricky Sawyers, Jr., Tyreese Stubbs, Tony Stubbs, Teanna Stubbs, Madelynn Stubbs, Trystian Stubbs, Ghinysis Stubbs, and Xi'Orrhion Stubbs; a great-grandson, Amari Hasan; numerous nieces, nephews, and extended relatives.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents and siblings, Albert Austin, Oscar Austin, Elizabeth Austin, Robert Stubbs, Henry Austin, and Lucy Coleman.

John 3:16

For God so loved the world,
that He gave His only begotten Son,
that whosoever believeth in Him
should not perish, but have everlasting life.