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Jeannine June Paddock
June 5, 1943 — September 30, 2025

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Jeannine (Jeanie) June Paddock was born June 5th, 1943 in Oberlin, KS and passed away, Tuesday morning, September 30th, 2025 at 82 years old.

Jeanie is preceded in death by her daughter Kimberly Kay Smith, her husband Thomas Givens, her brothers, Forrest "Joe" Paddock, Robert "Bobby" Paddock, Kermit "John" Paddock, sister Kay Johnson (Paddock), great-grandchild Theodore Noud, mother Dorothy Paddock (Smith), and father Kenneth Charles "Bob" Paddock.

She is survived by her daughter Tonja Renee (Smith) Bisnette (John), Sister Colleen Tarman (Dave) of Tribune, KS. Grandchildren Brandon Marshall Smith, Kayla Rachel Nelson (Faron), Phillip Boyd Hicks, Joseph Monroe Hicks (Marisa), & Patricia June Frances Hicks. Great-grandchildren Mason & Konnar Hicks, Eliana & Emilia Hicks, Tilian Noud, Isla & Callahan Nelson as well as many beloved nieces, nephews, and extended family.

Jeanie was born and raised on a farm in Oberlin, KS. She grew up an honest farm kid helping her father Kenneth in the Paddock Seed House family business after he got out of the Navy. Jeanie graduated in 1961 from Decatur County High School in Oberlin, KS and soon after married Boyd Smith. Jeanie and Boyd settled and started a family in Lebanon, Kansas. Jeanie gave birth to her two daughters Kimberly and Tonja in Smith Center, KS and eventually followed her dreams of living in beautiful California, where the family moved in October of 1965.

One of Jeanie's proudest accomplishments in her life was working her way to Journeyman Maintainer (machinist) in the Coil Department at Continental Can Company in Pittsburg, CA, where she fought for workers' rights — being the only woman in her role, as well as the only woman Union Steward at the time in the United Steelworkers of America Union Local #5084. She gave speeches for women's rights in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park, workers' rights at the California State Capitol in Sacramento, and always rooted for the little guy. She earned her Associate's Degree in Liberal Arts from Los Medanos Community College in Pittsburg, CA in the 90's.

Jeanie moved back to Kansas in 1999 to retire and care for the rest of the family, where she bought a humble house and property to call home. Jeanie planted many trees on her property, unsure she would ever see them grow due to her failing health. She considered it a blessing as she enjoyed watching the birds from her window for many years. She was selfless in her sacrifice for others, and into her later years continued to sacrifice when her body couldn't, by regularly donating to many different charities. Her endless and unconditional love made her the most adored person wherever she went, and her zest for life made her the light of the party anywhere her smile sparkled. Heaven got a little brighter, Jeanie. You will be dearly missed.

Funeral Services will be at Schoen Funeral Home and Monuments, Monday, October 13th, 2025 at 10 a.m. A committal service will follow at Downs Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Decatur County Last Indian Raid Museum, in care of Schoen Funeral Home & Monuments, 1001 Morgan Ave., Downs, KS 67437. Online condolences may be sent to schoen-fhm.com.

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FUNERAL SERVICE

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Downs, Kansas

Monday, October 13, 2025 ~ 10 a.m.

PASTOR

George Henry

MUSIC

Hallelujah - Jeff Buckley

You Raise Me Up - Josh Groban

Special Music - Family

PALLBEARERS

Brandon M. Smith

John L. Bisnette

Phillip B. Hicks

Joseph M. Hicks

Faron S. Nelson

Mason W. Hicks

LAI D TO REST

Downs Cemetery

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