



## Betty V McClellan

August 24, 1917 - July 14, 2017

Betty V. McClellan, age 99, of Mattoon, IL, passed away July 14, 2017, at 10:57 A.M. at Heartland Christian Village in Neoga, IL.

Private family graveside funeral service in her honor will be held at 10:00 A.M. Wednesday, July 19, 2017 at Dodge Grove Cemetery in Mattoon, IL, with Pastor Doug McClellan officiating. Visitation will be held Tuesday July 18, 2017, at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938, from 6:00P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

Betty was born August 24, 1917, in Table Grove, IL, the daughter of Genar F. and Melissa (Switzer) Vail. She is survived by her three children; daughter, Karen Stone (George) of Mattoon, IL; son, D. Steve McClellan (Phyllis) of Trilla, IL; daughter, Janet Lewellen (Donald) of Peoria, IL; four grandchildren, Douglas McClellan (Tammy) of Mattoon, IL, Amy Jo St. John (Tim) of Neoga, IL, Melissa Potter (Dan) of Neoga, IL, and Melinda Beals (Glenn) of Trilla, IL; eleven great-grandchildren and six great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, five brothers, and two sisters.

She was a 1939 graduate of Western Illinois University in Macomb, IL and taught Language Arts at both Mattoon Junior High Schools.

Betty was an active member of First Presbyterian Church where she was Sunday School Director and served as the Clerk of the Session for seventeen years. She was a member of Coles County Retired Teachers and Sarah Bush Lincoln Hospital Guild. She enjoyed passing the time traveling, tending to her African Violets, playing bridge and making crafts. She was especially known

for sewing bears for children in the hospital, making over 1,650 bears while in the nursing home.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Douglas-Hart Nature Center or First Presbyterian Church Memorial Funds in Mattoon, IL. Please visit [www.mitchell-jerdan.com](http://www.mitchell-jerdan.com) or [www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome](http://www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome) to light a virtual candle in her honor or share a memory with the family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 18. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Betty V McClellan*

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October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ *Ms. McClellan was one of the very finest teachers I ever had. My father worked with her for many years and thought the world of her as well. So many students that passed through Central Jr. High are much better people today because of the efforts of Ms. McClellan.*  
*Terry Jarvis, Dallas, Texas*

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**Terry Jarvis** - July 18, 2017 at 11:34 AM



“ *My most sincere sympathy to Karen and George, and to others near to Betty.*

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**Max Jaeger** - July 18, 2017 at 12:17 AM