



Marianne (Bower) Doyle McKinney

May 24, 2027 - June 18, 2013

Tucson, AZ - Marianne Bower Doyle McKinney, 86, passed away peacefully in her sleep on June 18, 2013 at the home of her son, Loren C. Doyle in Tucson, AZ. \r\n\r\nFuneral services in her honor will begin at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 26, 2013 at the First Baptist Church, 1804 S. 9th St., Mattoon, IL 61938, with Pastor Dennis Strawn officiating. Interment will follow in Roselawn Cemetery, Charleston, IL. Visitation will be held at Mitchell-Jerdan funeral home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938, Tuesday, June 25, 2013 from 5 to 8 pm.\r\n \r\nMarianne was born on May 24, 1927 to Arthur Oliver Bower and Florence Mae Bower in Bushton, IL. She graduated from Eastern Illinois University with a Bachelor of Science in Biology in 1948 and a Master of Science in Botany in 1966. As an educator, she taught in the Mattoon School System for 31 years from 1956 to 1987. During her tenure as Head of the Science Department at Mattoon High School, she was appointed as the science advisor to the President of the Central Illinois Public Service Company. A 50 year member of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society for professional women educators, Marianne served as president of the Gamma chapter twice and Lambda State vice-president along with many other positions. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Mattoon for 63 years holding positions as moderator, church council president, and director of senior adult visitation. Additionally, she was very active in the American Baptist Women ministries serving as Area 4 president and Great Rivers Region president among other positions. She was a member of Gateway

Builders Sunday School class for over 25 years. \r\n\r\nMarianne was preceded in death by her first husband of 47 years, Loren L Doyle and her second husband of 14 years, Willis E McKinney. \r\n\r\nShe is survived by her brother, Arthur Bower (Darcy) of Manitoba, Canada; her sons, Loren C Doyle (Mary) of Tucson, AZ and Eric M Doyle (Marilyn) of Jeffersonton, VA; nieces, Cindy Hembraugh and Kim Connolly; grandsons, Jason Doyle (Peggy) and Kirtlin Doyle; granddaughter, Paige Connors; great grandchildren, Joshua, Kaitlyn, and Brandon Doyle, Savannah Connors, and Amanda Cantrell.\r\n\r\nIn addition to flowers, donations can be made to First Baptist Church, 1804 S. 9th St., Mattoon, IL, in memory of Marianne. \r\n\r\nPlease visit www.mitchell-jerdan.com or www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome to light a virtual candle in her honor or share a memory with her family. \r\n

Tribute Wall



“ *Marianne (Bower) Doyle McKinney*

October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers to all the family. Marianne and I served together in Lambda State, DKG, for many years. She was my first vice president during my state presidency and was an excellent representative for Lambda State. She will be missed by all of us who knew her. God bless you all.*

Antoinette "Teta" Minuzzo - June 27, 2013 at 01:05 PM



“ *I am deeply saddened to hear of the loss of Mrs. Doyle (as I knew her from high school). My sincerest heartfelt condolences go to her family & all that knew her well. I was fortunate to have her as a field biology teacher during my sophomore year in high school and can say, without hesitation, that it was my favorite learning experience of my educational career. Although I did not pursue a vocation in biology, what I learned in her class is still with me today. She will live on in the memories of those who knew her.*

Charles Swank - June 27, 2013 at 08:22 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of you as you move on without Marianne. Mrs. Doyle (as I knew her) was one of the best teachers I ever had! I was just talking recently to a local friend about what I learned in her 9th grade biology class at Central. The book "Silent Spring" made a very lasting impression on me.\n\nGod be with you.*

Dixie Alms - June 25, 2013 at 05:13 AM