



## Opal McKinney

October 9, 1941 - December 10, 2025

PRINCETON – Opal Irene McKinney, 84, of Princeton passed away peacefully Wednesday, December 10, 2025. Born October 9, 1941, in Basin, WV, she was the daughter of the late Theodore Shrewsbury and Jennis Garretson Shrewsbury.

Opal was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, and homemaker. She was also a seamstress for many years. She also enjoyed quilting and crafting. She was of the Baptist faith.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, Sherman Lowell McKinney; and two sisters, Leona McKinney, and Hester White.

Those left to cherish her memory include two children, Pamela Thorne and husband Terry, of Princeton, with whom she made her home for the last 17 years, and Wayne McKinney and wife Dora, of TN; brothers, Harold Shrewsbury and wife Connie of Odd, and Dale Shrewsbury and wife Anthonette of Beckley; sister, Elsie McKinney and husband Britian of Basin; grandchildren, who she adored, Christopher Thorne and companion Sophia Catron, and Joel Thorne and wife Makayla, all of Princeton; and three great-grandchildren, Clarabelle, Elliott, and Everleigh; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family would like to acknowledge Mercer Healthcare Center staff for the wonderful care of their mother. Their kindness and compassion is greatly appreciated.

Funeral Service will be 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, December 17, 2025 at Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton, with Pastor Dewey Lowe, officiating. Interment will follow at Roselawn Memorial Gardens in Princeton.

The family will receive visitors from noon until the service hour.

Arrangements by Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home in Princeton. Online condolences may be shared with the family at [www.bailey-kirk.com](http://www.bailey-kirk.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 17. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home  
1612 Honaker Avenue  
Princeton, WV 24740  
(304) 425-8176  
info@bailey-kirk.com  
<https://www.bailey-kirk.com>

## Funeral Service

DEC 17. 1:00 PM (ET)

Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home  
1612 Honaker Avenue  
Princeton, WV 24740  
(304) 425-8176  
info@bailey-kirk.com  
<https://www.bailey-kirk.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Opal McKinney



Bailey-Kirk Funeral Home - December 17, 2025 at 03:43 PM

DW

*This is a beautiful tribute. Opal has a son, Wayne, and I was surprised that none of his pictures were included.*

Dora Brooks McKinney (Wayne's wife) - December 19, 2025 at 08:18 PM

SC

“ Wayne and Pam I am so sorry for the pain this brings. But, we do not grieve as those who have no hope. Indeed our hope lies in Jesus. Bless you all.

Sharon Cook - December 14, 2025 at 09:22 PM

BF

“ My heart is heavy having learned of Aunt Opal's passing. She was so kind and had an unforgettable beautiful smile. Pam and Wayne please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers. 💕 Brenda Fink, Bert Mckinney's middle daughter.

Brenda Fink - December 13, 2025 at 02:24 PM

DH

“ Darrell, Tammy and Stephanie Hager planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Opal McKinney.

Darrell, Tammy and Stephanie Hager - December 13, 2025 at 01:24 PM

DH

“ Darrell, Tammy and Stephanie Hager purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Opal McKinney.



Darrell, Tammy and Stephanie Hager - December 13, 2025 at 01:24 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Opal McKinney.



December 13, 2025 at 01:12 PM

JG

“ Pam, Wayne and family please accept my deepest condolences. The last time I saw her was in 2006, I always thought she was beautiful. Love to all, Janet McKinney Gray.

Janet Gray - December 12, 2025 at 10:29 PM