



## I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,  
I'm following the path God laid for me –  
I took His hand when I heard Him call,  
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day,  
To laugh, to love, to work or play –  
Tasks left undone must stay that way –  
I found peace at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,  
Then fill it with remembered joy –  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,  
Ah yes, these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with time of sorrow,  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow –  
My life's been full – I savored much,  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's tough.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief –  
Lift up your heart, and share with me,  
God wanted me now – He set me free.

**Memorial Service**  
First Baptist Church  
McPherson, Kansas  
Wednesday, December 11, 2024, at 2:00 PM

**Officiating Clergy**  
Pastor John Pattison

**Special Music**  
"How Great Thou Art"  
"Because He Lives"  
"It Is Finished"

Katie Sears, vocalist / Mary Funk, pianist

**Ushers**  
Winston Moors ~ Steve Spence

**Final Resting Place**  
McPherson Cemetery  
McPherson, Kansas  
Wednesday, December 11, 2024, at 1:00 PM

**Memorial Donations**  
Memorial donations can be made to Sunshine  
Preschool or McPherson County Food Bank in care  
of Stockham Family Funeral Home, 205 North  
Chestnut, McPherson, KS 67460.

**Appreciation & Luncheon**  
Maurine's family wishes to express their sincere  
appreciation for all your prayers and kindness,  
evidenced in thought and deed, and for your  
presence at this service.

*Following the memorial service, the family invites  
all to stay for coffee, cookies, & fellowship.*

*Stockham Family Funeral Home*



*In Loving Memory*  
**Maurine Gaddis**  
August 29, 1933 - December 2, 2024

*2 Timothy 4:7*  
*I have fought the good fight, I have  
finished the race, I have kept the faith.*





*A Celebration of Life*  
*Maurine Gaddis*

**Charlotte Maurine Gaddis was born August, 29, 1933, and peacefully passed away at Angel Arms on December, 2, 2024. Maurine was born in Coldwater, KS to Ray and Nell Jarnagin. She graduated in 1951 from Sun City, KS high school and attended one year of junior college in Pratt, KS.**

**Maurine was married in 1952 and blessed with two children: Nancy Jo Brown (Jerry) of McPherson, KS, and Jim L. Gaddis (Ann) of St. Francis, KS. She had three grandchildren, Kellie Case of Olathe, KS, Marci Ruxlow (Trenton) of McPherson, KS, and Chris Gaddis (Cindy) of Goessel, KS and one step-grandchild, Tiffani Floyd of McPherson, KS.**



**Maurine retired from Sanofi Winthrop in 1994 after 17 years in the Human Resources department. She kept in touch with the friends she made during her time there and liked to hear how the facility had changed throughout the years.**

**She was an excellent cook and loved to bake. It was a tradition for her to make homemade cinnamon rolls on Christmas morning. She especially loved baking sugar cookies with the little ones at Christmas time and seeing the results of their efforts.**

**Maurine had a competitive spirit. She was always up for a game of cards or dominoes and especially loved the game of golf. She won several trophies and prizes throughout her years of golfing and ended her golf career with a total of 6 holes in one. Maurine and her companion of 22 years, Bob Carpenter, played many rounds together. He passed in 2004.**

**She was a long-time member of the First Baptist Church, McPherson, KS and a member of the Y.E.S. Sunday School Class. She served on different committees and on the church council.**



**Maurine is survived by her children, grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren, her brother, Tom Jarnagin of Beverly Hills, CA and her sister, Patsy Knowles (Glenn) of Coats, KS, and several nieces and nephews.**

**She was preceded in death by her beloved companion, Bob Carpenter; her parents, Ray and Nell Jarnagin; her sister, Jo Soerries; her nephew, Vincent Soerries; and her brother-in-law, Mike Fittro.**