



## Mrs. Joanne Hall McKemie

October 18, 1935 - August 26, 2024

Joanne Hall McKemie, 88, of Albany, Georgia passed peacefully on Monday, August 26, 2024 at

her son's residence in Rome, Georgia.

Service will be held Saturday, August 31 at 2:00 PM at Porterfield Methodist Church in Albany, GA, the

Rev. Keith Ivey officiating. Family will greet friends at the parlor of Porterfield Methodist Church

between the hours of 12 Noon and 2:00 PM, preceding the service. A private graveside service

will be held following the service for immediate family.

Joanne was a lifelong resident of Albany and graduated from Albany High School class of 1954.

She married the love of her life, Mack, on April 7, 1955, to whom she was married for 64 years. Together

they were charter members of the Alpha Sunday School class at Porterfield Methodist. She was active

in the Stephen's Ministry at her church, visiting the elderly and those unable to attend weekly services.

Joanne's vibrancy and charisma drew people to her. She was lovingly known by her grandchildren and

by the community as "Momama", especially following her role on Fox 31 News with Rob Stone

in the segment “Momama’s Picks”. Known for her Halloween antics, Joanne and her cousin and best friend, Jamye Ivey, visited the elementary schools of Albany annually, dressed as witches, reading to the students, and handing out candy. They always made Halloween special for the neighborhood children with elaborate spooks and costumes, serving up cups of “bats blood” from the cauldron of Kool-Aid.

She had a servant’s heart and a leader’s mind, making her an integral part of the Albany

community. She served as president or an officer in some capacity of numerous organizations: American Heart Association, Girl Scout Council, United Way, Albany Junior Service League, and Women in Network. Her ability to raise funds and motivate people was a gift.

Joanne served as the Director of Public Relations at Palmyra Park Hospital for 10 years, and was a

recipient of the Frist Award. She received her award from Dr. Frist himself in Nashville, Tennessee. She

later served as Director of Dougherty County Medical Society for over 25 years. She was active

with the Medical Association of Georgia for many years attending seminars and events across the state.

In retirement, Joanne and Mack enjoyed coastal living on St. George Island, FL. They made

wonderful memories with family and friends at their residence, joyfully known as Doc’s Deck.

After the death of Mack, Joanne lived with her daughter, Delle, and son-in-law, Mike. In her later

years Joanne moved to the Spires at Berry College in Rome, GA to be closer to her son Mac. She was cared for by a wonderful team of nurses, CNA’s, and activity staff, that loved her dearly. Mac and Tracey then brought her to their “Home on the Hill”, as she called it, where she was surrounded by love and

laughter until she went to be with her Lord and Savior.

Above all else, Joanne was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. Her love for Christ and her church was infectious and showed through her daily living.

Joanne was preceded in death by her parents, Judson and Madelle Hall, her husband Dr. C.R.

McKemie, Jr., grandson C.R. "Clay" McKemie IV, and nephew Robert Middleton, whom she raised following his parents' death.

Survivors include her daughter, Delle McKemie Clark (Mike) Albany, GA, her son Dr. C.R. "Mac"

McKemie III (Tracey) Rome, GA; grandchildren Michael B. Clark, Jr. (Kristen) Albany, GA, Judson M. Clark (Maggie) Albany, GA, Robert J. Middleton IV (Lindsey) St. Simons, GA, Jessica M. Reynolds (Cameron) Atlanta, GA, Kyndall McKemie, Macon, GA, John Robert McKemie, Washington D.C., Brittany Sorrells (Seth) Cedartown, GA, Bear Crowder (Caitlin) Rome, GA; 13 great-grandchildren; and her "Sister" (first-cousin) Jamye Ivey (Ed) Albany, GA.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations be made, in memory of Joanne, to Samaritans Purse.

# Cemetery Details

## Crown Hill Cemetery

1907 Dawson Rd  
Albany, GA 31707  
(229) 883-6600

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 31. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Porterfield Methodist Church  
2200 Dawson Road  
Albany, GA 31707

## Funeral Service

AUG 31. 2:00 PM (ET)

Porterfield Methodist Church  
2200 Dawson Road  
Albany, GA 31707

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ *Loved this sweet lady! Loved catching up with her every time I would see her around town. I have known her all my life. Condolences to the family.*

*Juli Reynolds Bruner*

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**Juli Bruner** - August 30, 2024 at 10:10 AM

LA

“ *Delle and family, My deepest sympathies for you all. Nothing but fond memories of your MaMa. I pray you find comfort in sweet memories.*

*Love,  
Lindi Adams*

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**Lindi Adams** - August 30, 2024 at 04:51 AM

CN

“ *Delle, Mac and all family,  
I am sad to hear of Mrs. McKemie's passing.  
We will not be in town for the funeral but have  
you in our hearts and prayers. Love, Cindy  
Neal*



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**Cindy Neal** - August 29, 2024 at 04:24 PM

BK

“ *Bill Sr, Bill Jr, Marianne and Kim purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Mrs. Joanne Hall McKemie.*



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**Bill Sr, Bill Jr, Marianne and Kim** - August 29, 2024 at 03:50 PM

BK

“ *Bill Sr, Bill Jr, Marianne and Kim planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Joanne Hall McKemie.*

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**Bill Sr, Bill Jr, Marianne and Kim** - August 29, 2024 at 03:50 PM

SF

“ *Sanders family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mrs. Joanne Hall McKemie.*



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**Sanders family** - August 29, 2024 at 02:33 PM

BB

“ *Beverly Barber*



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**Beverly Barber** - August 29, 2024 at 01:31 PM

PM

*Joanne was one of the BEST!  
Loved her wit and her laugh!  
She will be missed by many!!!❤️❤️*

**patsy martin** - August 30, 2024 at 08:48 AM

NZ

“ *Nathan and Zara planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Joanne Hall McKemie.*

**Nathan and Zara** - August 29, 2024 at 08:18 AM

NZ

“ *Nathan and Zara purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Joanne Hall McKemie.*



**Nathan and Zara** - August 29, 2024 at 08:18 AM

OC

“ *Overhead Door Company purchased the Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray for the family of Mrs. Joanne Hall McKemie.*



**Overhead Door Company** - August 29, 2024 at 12:19 AM

OC

“ *Overhead Door Company planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Joanne Hall McKemie.*

**Overhead Door Company** - August 29, 2024 at 12:19 AM

RR

“ Prayers for peace and comfort to you all.

Ruby Renfroe - August 28, 2024 at 10:03 PM

HD

“ Delle and Mac,  
May our God of love and comfort be exactly that for you during this time. I have fond memories of your mom through the years. Unfortunately I will be out of town Saturday, but please know y'all are in my thoughts and prayers.  
With love, Howard H. DuVall

Howard H. DuVall - August 28, 2024 at 06:52 PM

BH

“ So sorry for y'all's loss. She sure was special. Our community will really miss her. I know I will.

Bo Henry - August 28, 2024 at 05:58 PM

MC

Thanks for the kind words Bo!

michael clark - August 29, 2024 at 11:07 AM

DF

“ Danny Paul & Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mrs. Joanne Hall McKemie.



Danny Paul & Family - August 28, 2024 at 05:41 PM

HS

“ Mack and I share the same birthday. I had the privilege of knowing Ms. McKemie and remember her coming to Lake Park dressed up for Halloween and reading to our class. She was such a sweet lady. Prayers for the family

Holli Parr Sigmon - August 28, 2024 at 04:05 PM

GW

“ Green Acres Wellness purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Mrs. Joanne Hall McKemie.



Green Acres Wellness - August 28, 2024 at 03:50 PM

CH

“ Joanne was a wonderful person and a great friend. She never met a stranger, and was always so gracious. She will be missed. Carolyn H

Carolyn Hatcher - August 28, 2024 at 02:40 PM

DH

“ A wonderful neighbor and the highlight house at Halloween because of Joanne's extra special touch. She will long be remembered. Not many of the OG's left in the Lake Park neighborhood. Much love to the family.



Debbie Hambley - August 28, 2024 at 01:55 PM

AW

“ *Adrienne Wilson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Joanne Hall McKemie*



Adrienne Wilson - August 28, 2024 at 01:39 PM

AW

“ *I loved Miss Mack!! I've known her and her family my entire life. She was by my side at the hospital when my mother passed away. They were such great friends. I will miss her, her laugh, and her love. She will be greatly missed, but had so many waiting on the other side, for her to get to her final home. Love and prayers to her entire family.*

*With love, Adie*

Adrienne Wilson - August 28, 2024 at 01:38 PM

MC



michael clark - August 28, 2024 at 04:29 PM

JF

“ *Delle, Mac and family*  
*Your momma was such a sweet lady to all of us growing up. She was easy to talk to and would cut up with us. She will be missed 🙏❤️❤️*

Jeffrey Field - August 28, 2024 at 09:54 AM

MC

*Yes she will be missed, thanks for the kind words Mr. Jeffery*

Michael Clark - August 28, 2024 at 01:31 PM

TP

*From our diaper days to our final rewards Joanne and I have been dear friends for almost 89 years. Joanne was always tops in everything that she did. Delle, you and Mac are so lucky to have had her as your mother. I knew most of the Hall family so just know she comes from great people! And Mac, Sr. made your lives more special! GOD bless your family. Tommy Pattison.*

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**Tom Pattison** - September 01, 2024 at 03:25 PM