



## Betty Jean Reed

January 18, 1936 - April 12, 2025

Betty Jean Reed, 89, of Alma, Arkansas, passed away peacefully at home, surrounded by her loved ones, on Saturday, April 12, 2025.

Betty was born on January 18, 1936, in Fairview, Oklahoma, to the late Alston and Thelma Jean (Wilson) McBride. She was a devoted member of Mountainburg Presbyterian Church, where she found great joy in teaching and participating in the bell choir.

Together with her beloved husband, Gene Paul, Betty owned and operated R&R Ranch Dog Boarding. They shared a passion for dog shows and traveled across the country competing, forming lasting friendships along the way. Betty and Gene Paul were not only partners in life and business but also lifelong best friends. Their enduring love and deep bond served as a beautiful example to their children and grandchildren.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, Alston Sr. and Thelma Jean McBride, and her brother, Alston McBride Jr.

She is survived by her loving husband of seventy-one years, Gene Paul Reed; two daughters, Ginger Hefner of Fayetteville, Arkansas, and Laura Reed Pappenfort of Lenexa, Kansas; four grandchildren, Logan Pappenfort, Skylar Pappenfort, Hannah Hefner, and Matthew Hefner; two great-grandchildren, Thea Pappenfort and Jane Hefner; her brother, Kem McBride; nephew, Alston McBride III; and niece, Patty Eades.

There will be a memorial service for Mrs. Reed at 11:00 AM, on Sunday, March 8, 2026, at the Peoria Community Center. Burial for Mrs. Reed will

follow at the Peoria Tribal Cemetery.

Services have been placed in the care of Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Miami.

Friends and family may send the family notes of encouragement by viewing Mrs. Reed's Tribute Page at [www.brown-winters.com](http://www.brown-winters.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Peoria Tribal Cemetery

S 638 RD  
Miami, OK 74354

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAR 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

Peoria Community Building  
1809 Cleveland Avenue  
Miami, OK 74354