



Hildegarde "Hilde" B. McAllister

January 15, 1931 - July 27, 2025

Hildegarde "Hilde" Bühning McAllister, age 94, of Kirkwood, Missouri, passed away peacefully July 27, 2025, at EverTrue Laclede Groves in Webster Groves.

Born on January 15, 1931, in St. Louis, Missouri, she was the beloved daughter of the late Wilhelm and Marie "Mimi" Bühning. Hilde was a devoted wife to the late James McAllister for 57 years. She is survived by her sons, Clarke (Nancy Connor) McAllister and Scott (Susan) McAllister; grandchildren, Ian, Caitlin, Ryan and Grace McAllister; and great-granddaughter, Pippa.

Hilde loved people. Whether as a wife, mother, friend, tennis enthusiast, world traveler, Stephens Ministries volunteer, or Salvation Army volunteer, she put everything into relationships with people. She loved the Lord and served Him by serving others. She also loved all sports, especially baseball, and was a lifelong St. Louis Cardinal fan.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to EverTrue Laclede Groves, (<https://www.billerpayments.com/app/donationsui/?bsn=lssdp#/donations/payment>) in honor of Hilde.

Previous Events

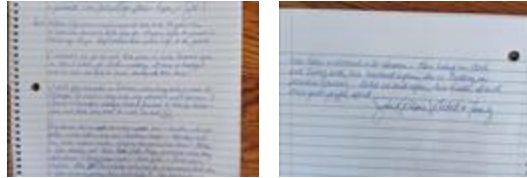
Graveside Service

AUG 1. 11:00 AM (CT)

Chapel Hill Mortuary - Kirkwood
10301 Big Bend Road
Kirkwood, MO 63122
(314) 965-8228
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<https://www.stlfuneral.com>

JG

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Janet (Gilpin) Gilbert - August 05, 2025 at 10:39 AM

JI

“ Mrs McAllister was always cheerful and supportive of Clarke’s teammates. A wonderful woman.

Jim - August 03, 2025 at 08:48 PM

JM

“ I first met Scott in about 1970 when we were in 7th grade and have been great friends ever since. I referred you to Hilde as my “other mother”. We were always amazed that she seemed to know literally everyone in St Louis. She was truly a friend to everybody she met! I have great memories of her being “mom” to the “Fearsome Five” (Scott and four friends) at the lake house. One lake house memory was we came to breakfast one morning where everyone had a normal cereal bowl, but my place had a salad bowl, at 6’-2”, 125lbs, I guess she thought I need to eat more! And she always had suggestions on who we should ask out in high school! Such great memories of a wonderful person! My thoughts and prayers are with Scott & Clarke and their families. We know those we love can’t live forever but our great memories of them do. RIP, Hilde and Jim, John Marsteller

John Marsteller - August 01, 2025 at 10:06 PM

CT

“ Clarke - Very sorry to hear about the passing of your mother. I recall she and your father being so supportive and encouraging during our high school cross country and track days. Although I was only in her presence a hand full of times since those days, it was always a pleasure visiting with her and our teammates reminiscing about “back in the day”. The last one was a few years back when we all visited you and your mother and, when your daughter joined us for a fun run and we struggled to keep up with her.

Your mom was blessed with a long life but the loss of a loved one, especially the one that brought you into this world, is very difficult to process. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family and please take comfort in knowing that your mom is at peace with God and your father in Heaven.

Our Sincere Sympathy,
Chris and Vickie

Chris Tremblay - August 01, 2025 at 06:46 AM

JM

“ Jill McAllister lit a candle in memory of
Hildegarde "Hilde" B. McAllister



Jill McAllister - July 31, 2025 at 11:37 AM

JM

“ So many memories of Hilde (and Jim), who I met when I was 16. Her affection and enthusiasm, the many ways she took care of others, maintained friendships, served her community, and faced her challenges were inspirational. She and Jim were such fabulous grandparents for Ian and Caitlin. Remembering her meeting her 3-month old great-granddaughter Pippa- such a joy.

Sending love to all her family members as you enter into a new way of being with her. May her love and joy live through you into the world.

Jill McA

Jill McAllister - July 31, 2025 at 11:36 AM

CN

“ We are infinitely grateful for so many wonderful moments with our dear Hilde!
The Nordsieck-Family from Germany

Claus Nordsieck - July 30, 2025 at 04:52 PM

TG

“ The Nordsieck-Family from Germany purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Hildegard "Hilde" B. McAllister.



The Nordsieck-Family from Germany - July 30, 2025 at 04:40 PM

TG

“ *The Nordsieck-Family from Germany planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Hildegarde "Hilde" B. McAllister.*

The Nordsieck-Family from Germany - July 30, 2025 at 04:40 PM

KH

“ Clarke and Scott, we are very sorry to hear about your Mom, ("Mrs. Mac" to me and many of the other Purdue Sigma Chi's and Clarke's fraternity brothers). Our sympathies to you both and to the rest of the McAllister family! We loved her and your Dad and they were always a blast to have at Sigma Chi and our apartment when they visited!

"Mrs. Mac" always had a huge smile on her face and she was always trying to feed us (cookies were my favorite)! At the Sigma Chi house and at our apartment senior year, she would visit and always make us smile and laugh! She put up with our college pranks, antics, jokes and stories and became a Mother to us all! It was an honor to have had the chance to know her since 1975 (50 years) and spend fun times together! Thanks for sharing her with us!

I had the honor of talking to her a few weeks ago (after the Sigma Chi Delta Delta 150th Anniversary celebration at Purdue, June 12-15, 2025) when Clarke visited her in STL after the event! At 94, she still sounded like she did in 1975! She was still full of life and love and it made me so grateful that Clarke shared his visit with her with me for a few precious moments on the phone.

God Bless You "Mrs. Mac" for us and all the family, friends and Sigma Chi's you touched. You will be greatly missed, but never forgotten!

Rest in Peace!

Love You Always!

Keith "Hermie" and Kristen Holcomb

Keith Holcomb - July 30, 2025 at 12:45 PM

ST

“ Hilde's kindness, warmth, and love will be remembered always.
May her spirit continue to inspire us.
She will be deeply missed and forever loved.

Shannon Connor Turner - July 30, 2025 at 12:33 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family
of Hildegarde "Hilde" B. McAllister.



July 30, 2025 at 11:55 AM

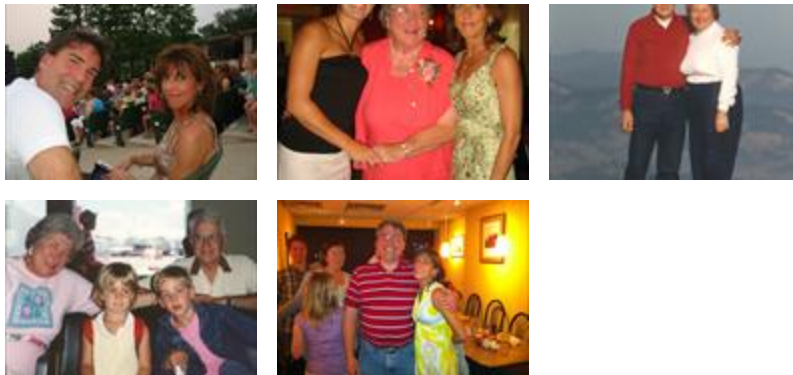


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July 30, 2025 at 11:55 AM

CL

“ 13 files added to the album Hilde



Clarke - July 30, 2025 at 10:03 AM

BB

“ I remember her well from my high school days. She was always so welcoming to me when I would show up to hang out with Clarke. When we would go to Lake Sherwood to go skiing, she was always concerned about what we would have to eat, and to make sure we knew the house rules! She was a great mom to all! Glad to know she is with Jesus!

Bill Billings - July 29, 2025 at 09:33 PM

WH

“ Don and I have known Hilde for more thsn half her life. She was one of the happiest people I know. Always ready to help when it was needed. I have been visiting her regularly at Laclede and she was always very alert and gracious. She always gave me things to do when I would visit, clean her closets, arrange her drawers etc. Very special lady and will be greatly missed. Love to her family and rest in the knowledge that she is having a blast reuniting with Jim and our Lord!

Wanda Herweck - July 29, 2025 at 08:49 PM

SB

“ Missing Hilde very much already. She was so proud of her family and friends and it was mutual. She was always a joy to be with.



Sean Bunce - July 29, 2025 at 04:04 PM

RR

Clarke and Scott, I first met your mom at a KHS Mothers Club Dinner where students brought desserts. Your mom raved about the Jello Instant Pudding Cheesecake that I brought. I loved her immediately. She was so kind and encouraging. I always enjoyed the Dougherty Ferry drive by conversations we shared. My most special memory will be the time spent with her getting ready to meet Jesus. Her graciousness and surrender touched me deeply. I will always be grateful that you let me visit her at this time. Robyn Roth

Robyn Roth - July 29, 2025 at 06:45 PM

LF

“ I will always remember her wonderful smile that matched her generous personality. When the Kirkwood XC boys were together at the McAllister’s we always had a second mom.

Lenny Fagan - July 29, 2025 at 03:14 PM

CL

“ 6 files added to the album Hilde



Clarke - July 29, 2025 at 02:18 PM

NA

“ Hilde, as you quickly learned, dinner at 5:30 was tough for me, Rosé wine at sunset, absolutely yes. But I eventually adapted, and I thank you for your patience.

Thank you also for trusting that our winters in Mexico would be safe. Your cautious blessing meant the world to Clarke and me, gently transforming our sunny escape into a true home within a very special community.

Above all, thank you for becoming the mother-in-law I could always confide in; our relationship blossomed into something beautiful, warm, and deeply genuine.

Your endless love is what I'll miss the most. Rest peacefully, Hilde. I love you.

Nancy - July 29, 2025 at 02:13 PM

CL

“ We honor Hilde, a devoted wife, loving mother, cherished grandmother and great grandmother, and steadfast friend who peacefully passed away at 94. As President of the Salvation Army Auxiliary, she led with compassion and earned the highest honor, the Evangeline Booth Award.

Alongside Dad, she welcomed Semester at Sea students and inspired young minds with stories of adventure. Together they were pillars of Concordia Lutheran Church in Kirkwood, nurturing fellowship and faith in the community they loved.

To Scott and me, and to her grandchildren and great grandchildren, Mom was our guiding light: encouraging our dreams, soothing our worries, and filling our lives with warmth. “Aunt Hilde” to the children of her friends, she delighted in baking cookies, cakes, Jimmy-Zammy, and other hearty meals for guests at our weekend retreat on Lake Sherwood.

Her legacy of kindness, hospitality, and unwavering love will live on in every life she touched. Rest in peace, Mom; your spirit remains our inspiration.

Clarke - July 29, 2025 at 12:28 PM

CL

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Clarke - July 28, 2025 at 07:07 PM