



## Rosie Lee Payton

August 24, 1930 - July 18, 2025

Rosie Lee Payton, age 94, of Dittmer, Missouri, passed away peacefully on July 18, 2025, in Festus, Missouri, surrounded by her loving family.

Born on August 24, 1930, in Bunker, Missouri, Rosie was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother whose kindness and gentle spirit touched everyone she met. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Leon Payton, with whom she shared many beautiful years of marriage.

Survived by her children Gene (Sheila) Payton, Barbara (the late Wally) Payton, Carolyn (Ronald) Read, Ray (the late Joanie) Payton, Steve (Amy) Payton, Terri (Curtis) Spires, and Tim (Tammy) Payton.

Rosie made her home in Dittmer since 1965, where she created a haven of warmth and welcome for all who entered. She was the proud matriarch of a large and loving family, raising seven children and later delighting in the lives of her nine grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren.

A woman of simple joys and quiet strength, Rosie had a deep love for reading, especially while rocking on her screened porch where she watched birds, fireflies, and listened to the comforting sounds of the evening. She had an adventurous heart and chronicled her travels through thoughtful journaling—a testament to her curiosity and appreciation for life.

Family was always at the center of Rosie's world. She was known for hosting unforgettable Christmas gatherings, where her warmth and laughter filled the home. She loved playing cards with her grandchildren, sharing stories and

smiles late into the night. A loyal fan of the Hallmark Channel, Rosie cherished love stories both on screen and in life.

Rosie's legacy is one of grace, joy, and unwavering devotion to those she held dear. She will be remembered for her easy smile, her love of the little things, and the way she made everyone feel at home.

She leaves behind a lifetime of love and cherished memories. Her presence will be deeply missed and forever celebrated by all who knew her.

Visitation will be held on Monday, July 28, 2025 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Chapel Hill Mortuary, 6300 Highway 30, Cedar Hill, MO 63016. Funeral Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, July 29, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at Chapel Hill Mortuary. Interment at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Cedar Hill, MO following service.

Family and friends can review and share stories, photos and condolences online at [www.stlfuneral.com](http://www.stlfuneral.com) and follow details of this event and others in the community at [www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill](http://www.facebook.com/stlchapelhill).

# Cemetery Details

## Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens

6300 SR 30  
Cedar Hill, MO 63016  
(636) 274-4100

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 28. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

JUL 29. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Graveside

JUL 29. 11:00 AM.

Chapel Hill Mausoleum in Cedar Hill



# Tribute Wall

RB

“ Ron Blanton planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosie Lee Payton.

Ron Blanton - July 28, 2025 at 10:43 AM

RB

“ Ron Blanton purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Rosie Lee Payton.



Ron Blanton - July 28, 2025 at 10:43 AM

JF

“ Jerry Hawn and Family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Rosie Lee Payton.



Jerry Hawn and Family - July 26, 2025 at 02:00 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rosie Lee Payton.

July 25, 2025 at 11:56 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Rosie Lee Payton.*



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July 25, 2025 at 11:56 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rosie Lee Payton.

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July 23, 2025 at 03:53 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rosie Lee Payton.*



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July 23, 2025 at 03:53 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Rosie Lee Payton.

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July 22, 2025 at 04:14 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Rosie Lee Payton.*



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