



Ms. Barbara Jean Bridwell McCullers

August 18, 1947 - April 16, 2026

Beloved mother, daughter, auntie, and friend affectionately known as “Mrs. Barbara” to so many who knew and loved her, passed away peacefully on April 16, 2026, at the age of 78, at her home in Cheltenham, Maryland.

Born in Clermont, Indiana, on August 18, 1947, she later moved to Johnson City, Tennessee, where she grew up and attended Langston High School. She then married Johnnie Lee Wiggins and moved to Baltimore, Maryland, where she owned and operated several businesses, most notably Hearts Cleaning and Upholstery.

Mrs. Barbara was known to be fun-loving, caring, friendly, adventurous, and extremely supportive. She touched the lives of the many people she encountered. Her life story exemplifies her devotion to family, faith, and friendship, leaving a legacy of love and kindness.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jay & Lillian Bridwell; husband, Johnnie Lee Wiggins; sister, Marguerite Hill; brother-in-law, Garfield Hill; daughter, Leann Michelle Wiggins; son, Anthony Jerome Wiggins; grand-niece, Faith Hill; and great-grandson, Karter Anthony Wiggins.

She is survived by her brothers and sisters-in-law, Lee Roy & Lydia Bridwell, and James & Caroline Bridwell; two aunts, Ella Clark & Mildred Clark; two

sons, Billy Wayne Wiggins & Brian Keith Wiggins, Sr.; grandchildren, Shamika, Cierra, Kelly, Brian Jr. & Brianna Wiggins; great-grandchildren, Cody & Khia; and a host of other cousins, uncles, nieces, nephews, other family members and friends.

Those wishing to honor her memory may contribute to a GoFundMe account set up by Latisha Hill (her niece) to help with the burial service, flowers and funeral costs.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 9. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Birchette Mortuary & Cremation Service, Inc.
219 E Millard St
Johnson City, TN 37601
(423) 926-6013
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Celebration of Life

MAY 9. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Interment

MAY 9 (ET)

Westlawn Cemetery
Lowell St.
Johnson City, TN 37601

Tribute Wall

VR

“ *Vangeline Rollins sent a virtual gift in memory of Ms. Barbara Jean Bridwell McCullers*



vangeline Rollins - May 28 at 02:43 PM

VR

I grew up with Barbara she was a great person. She was so joyful we lived on Adam's street and Millard Street we had gravel roads we walked daily. In those days we know how to make our on fun but chores was first. Just thinking back over the days brings joy to my heart she will be missed. I moved to Baltimore and ran across her and we did some memories and laughed together. Family keep your head up and god will see you through!

vangeline Rollins - May 28 at 02:52 PM



“ *Linda Workman lit a candle in memory of Ms. Barbara Jean Bridwell McCullers*



Linda Workman - May 09 at 08:51 PM

SB

“ *Sylvia Bachman lit a candle in memory of Ms. Barbara Jean Bridwell McCullers*



Sylvia Bachman - May 09 at 08:12 AM

DJ

“ David F Clark jr purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Ms. Barbara Jean Bridwell McCullers.



David F Clark jr - May 08 at 03:57 PM

DJ

“ David F Clark jr planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Barbara Jean Bridwell McCullers.

David F Clark jr - May 08 at 03:57 PM



“ Terry Perkins lit a candle in memory of Ms. Barbara Jean Bridwell McCullers



Terry Perkins - May 08 at 02:29 PM

CJ

“ Cynthia, BriAnna & Brian Jr. purchased the Full of Love Bouquet for the family of Ms. Barbara Jean Bridwell McCullers.



Cynthia, BriAnna & Brian Jr. - May 06 at 12:17 PM