



## Mrs. Bessie Kahanek Lee

September 9, 1921 - December 17, 2019

Mrs. Bessie Kahanek Lee, age 98 of Century, FL, passed away Tuesday, December 17, 2019 in Brewton, Alabama.

Mrs. Lee was born on September 9, 1921 in Wallis, TX to parents, Joseph J. and Frances Kahanek. She grew up in Wallis, TX and graduated from Wallis High School. She then went on to become a Rosie the Riveter during WWII. She married Wilford J. Lee on December 23, 1944 in Corpus Christi, TX. She was a member of the NARFE and the Byrneville Methodist Church. She is preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Frances Kahanek; husband, Wilford John Lee; three brothers, Robert Kahanek, Joe Kahanek and Henry Kahanek; three sisters, Frances Bartay, Alice Magee and Julia Kahanek and granddaughter, Katherine "Katie" Lee.

She is survived by one son, John Robert Lee of Century, FL; one daughter, Janet (Todd) Shultz of Brewton, AL; two sisters, Ann Webb of Arizona and Lillian Boryla of Ohio; three grandchildren, Rebecca Shultz, Justin Shultz and Jacob Shultz; five great grandchildren, Brandon Lowe, Daylon Brown, Isabelle Barber, Jasmine Barber and Michaela Barber and numerous nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, December 22, 2019 at 2:00 PM at the Petty-Eastside Chapel Funeral Home with Bro. Bo Bell officiating.

Burial will follow at the Byrneville Cemetery.

Visitation will be held Sunday, December 22, 2019 from 1:00 PM until service time at 2:00 PM at the Petty-Eastside Chapel Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will be Steve Turner, Curtis Moye, Jeremy Pridgen, Jason Barber, John Lee and Kenneth Jernigan.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Jerry Doran and Gene Findley.

Petty-Eastside Chapel Funeral Homes, LLC in charge of all arrangements,  
Atmore, Alabama.

# Cemetery Details

## Byrneville Cemetery

Century, FL 32535

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **22**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Petty Funeral Homes LLC  
9260 US-31  
Atmore, AL 36502  
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## Service

DEC **22**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mrs. Bessie Kahanek Lee.*



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December 20, 2019 at 10:50 AM



“ *Sympathy fireside Basket in Christmas Colors was purchased for the family of Mrs. Bessie Kahanek Lee.*



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December 20, 2019 at 08:53 AM



“ *Miss you aunt bess now ur with uncle wilford and mama love u and miss u*



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**Tonya rolin** - December 19, 2019 at 06:02 PM

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“ For several summers in the 50's Aunt Bess welcomed my sister and I over to spend time on the beach, swimming in the community swimming pool. I learned to swim during one of those summers. We would be joined by Uncle Lee's niece and nephew and on each occasion we had the time of our lives eating ice cream, swimming, getting terrible sun burns. Those were some of the best summers of my childhood. They spoiled us rotten! Aunt Bess loved to have a great time. She was a lot of fun.

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**Gwendolyn Bundy** - December 19, 2019 at 05:15 PM



“ *Shades of Purple* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Bessie Kahanek Lee.



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December 19, 2019 at 05:08 PM



“ *Pink & White Sympathy Floor Basket* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Bessie Kahanek Lee.



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December 19, 2019 at 01:30 PM