



Ms. Jackie V. Howard Funches

May 29, 1963 - August 10, 2025

Jackie V. Howard Funches was born on May 29, 1963, in Hughes, Arkansas, to the union of Jesse Howard, Sr. and Mary Meanus Howard. She peacefully departed this life on Sunday, August 10, 2025, at the home of her sister in Peoria, Illinois, surrounded by the love of her family.

Jackie accepted Christ at an early age, uniting with the Church of the Living God in Dansby, Arkansas. Her faith in God was a constant source of strength and guidance throughout her life.

She received her education in the Marianna, Arkansas school district, graduating from Lee Senior High School. In later years, she married Leon Funches, and to this union two children were born. Jackie was a dedicated and hardworking woman, spending over 20 years of faithful service at DFAC in Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, where she worked until her retirement.

Jackie was a gentle and soft-spoken woman, known for her compassionate spirit and caring heart. She had a love for word puzzles, skating, and traveling, and she enjoyed life's simple pleasures. Though private by nature, she loved her family deeply and was a devoted daughter, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend to many.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Mary Lee Howard; two brothers,

Jesse Howard, Jr. and Lee Edwards Howard; one granddaughter, Abrielle Funches; two brothers-in-law, Herbert Gates and Harold Walters; and one sister-in-law, Kathy Howard.

She leaves to cherish her precious memories: her father, Jesse Howard, Sr. of Haynes, Arkansas; two children, Marcus Funches of Waynesville, Missouri, Prentice (Tanisha) Funches of Las Vegas, Nevada; she shared a lasting friendship with her former husband, Leon Funches, two stepsons, Leon and Jeffery Funches of Memphis, Tennessee; 2 granddaughters Alaynna of Las Vegas, and Nya Funches of Florida; four step-grandchildren, Destiny Funches of Nashville, Tennessee, Belicia Funches, Joseph Funches, and Trinity Funches of St. Louis, Missouri; seven brothers, Eddie, Louis, Jerry, and Morris Howard, all of Peoria, Illinois, Leotis (Brenda) Howard and Terry Howard, both of Forrest City, Arkansas, and Leon (Fairnetta) Howard of Jonesboro, Arkansas; nine sisters, Rosie (Monroe) Pointer of Dansby, Arkansas, Debra Gates and Fannie Walters, both of Peoria, Illinois, Lizzie (Lynden) Robinson and Elmira (Michael) Williams, both of Atlanta, Georgia, Lela Jenkins and Paula Howard, both of Jonesboro, Arkansas, Marion Hill and Shelia Howard, both of Forrest City, Arkansas; and a host of uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends who will forever remember her love and kindness.

Jackie's life was a testament to faith, endurance, dedication, and compassion. She will be deeply missed, but her memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved her.

Cemetery Details

Forrest Park Cemetery

2605 South Washington Street
Forrest City , AR 72335

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 15. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Miles J. Kimble Mortuary & Cremation
1900 South Washington Street
Forrest City, AR 72335
(870) 633-1914
mjkimble@yahoo.com
<http://www.mjkmortuaryandcremation.com>

Service

AUG 16. 12:00 PM (CT)

Forrest City Civic Center
1335 North Washington Street
Forrest City, AR 72335

The family will line up at 203 Wilson Circle Haynes Arkansas 72341 on the day of the service. Everyone is expected to be ready to leave by 11:20 AM.

Repast

AUG 16. 1:30 PM (CT)

Forrest City Civic Center
1335 North Washington Street
Forrest City , AR 72335

Tribute Wall

HP

“ *Helen Lay Powell lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jackie V. Howard Funches*



Helen Lay Powell - August 16, 2025 at 10:00 AM

AB

“ *Anna Baranova purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ms. Jackie V. Howard Funches.*



Anna Baranova - August 15, 2025 at 10:42 AM

AB

“ *Anna Baranova planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Jackie V. Howard Funches.*

Anna Baranova - August 15, 2025 at 10:42 AM

RP

“ *Rocky Powers purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ms. Jackie V. Howard Funches.*



Rocky Powers - August 14, 2025 at 05:26 AM

GS

“ Grandmother Riley & Auntie Sheila purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Ms. Jackie V. Howard Funches.



Grandmother Riley & Auntie Sheila - August 12, 2025 at 09:54 PM

JA

“ My condolences to the Howard family, Peace/Love Cuzin Jan

Jan - August 12, 2025 at 08:11 PM

CM

“ Cynthia and Keith Moore purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Ms. Jackie V. Howard Funches.



Cynthia and Keith Moore - August 11, 2025 at 11:48 PM

CM

“ Cynthia and Keith Moore planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms. Jackie V. Howard Funches.

Cynthia and Keith Moore - August 11, 2025 at 11:48 PM

ST

“ *Howard Funches Family and friends. My thoughts and prayers are with you today and the days ahead. Praying for comfort strength and peace.*



Shirley Williams Thorn - August 11, 2025 at 05:15 PM

H/

My condolences to my family praying for comfort and strength and peace love you all your cousin Henrietta Howard from Syracuse New York

Henrietta Howard /family - August 12, 2025 at 07:57 AM

FB

“ *Felecia Bell lit a candle in memory of Ms. Jackie V. Howard Funches*



Felecia Bell - August 11, 2025 at 04:59 PM

CC

*My heart breaks for you, please accept my sincere condolences,
Claudette C. Clay*

Claudette Clay - August 11, 2025 at 09:04 PM