



Martha "Coleen" Huggins

March 6, 1930 - April 16, 2026

Martha "Coleen" Huggins, age 96, of Holden, Missouri, passed away peacefully on Thursday, April 16, 2026, at Holden Manor in Holden, Missouri, surrounded by her loving family.

Coleen was born on March 6, 1930, in Elmer, Missouri, the daughter of Jimmie and Sarah (Bell) Allen. She graduated from La Plata High School in 1948.

In 1957, her family moved from Elmer to Holden, Missouri. While working at Solo Cup Company in Grandview, Missouri, she met the love of her life, James Huggins. They were united in marriage on February 15, 1964, in Belton, Missouri, and shared 31 wonderful years together until his passing in July of 1995.

Coleen worked for several years as an administrative assistant at Solo Cup Company. Her faith was a guiding force in her life, and she was a devoted member of First Baptist Church in Holden. She cherished time spent with friends, especially playing cards at the senior center. Coleen also enjoyed traveling, decorating for the holidays, and tending to her flowers, where she could often be found outdoors. Above all, family meant everything to her. She lovingly carried on a tradition of hosting Sunday dinners, bringing her family together week after week.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James Huggins; her parents, Jimmie and Sarah Allen; and her brothers, Norman Allen, Virgil Allen, Clifford Allen, Junior Allen, and Bob Allen; sisters, Hazel Allen and Opal Agee.

Coleen is survived by her sons, Alan Calhoun and Beth of Holden, Missouri, Donnie Calhoun and wife Patsy of Holden, Missouri; her daughter, Karen Kluz and husband Chip of Pleasant Hill, Missouri; several grandchildren and great-grandchildren, with one great-great-grandchild expected in November; as well as many nieces and nephews. Her passing will leave a huge void in those who loved her.

A visitation will be held on Monday, April 20, 2026, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Campbell-Cast Funeral Home. Funeral services will take place on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. at the funeral home, with Pastor Michael Wakeman officiating. Interment will follow at Holden Cemetery in Holden, Missouri.

Pallbearers will be Harold Moore, Mike Williams, Jeremy Calhoun, Grant Williams, Matt Gouveia, and Ian Stookey. Honorary pallbearers are Chip Kluz, Danny Meads, Brady Stout, Evan Williams, Alex Moore, Phil Cowick, Graysen Cowick, Nolan Stookey, Knox Stookey, Stephen Neuenschwander and Tim Haberstroh.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Holden Senior Center/Care Connection, 605 E. 10th St., Holden, MO 64040. Arrangements are under the care of Campbell-Cast Funeral Home, a Stewart Family Company. Online condolences may be shared at www.castfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Holden Cemetery

West 10th Street
Holden, MO 64040

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 20. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home Inc. DBA:Campbell-Cast Funeral Home
407 South Pine Street
Holden, MO 64040
(816) 732-5531
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Funeral Service

APR 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Interment

APR **21**. 11:45 AM - 12:15 PM (CT)

Holden Cemetery
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Tribute Wall

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“ A beautiful soul she was. Coleen and Bill were great neighbors. I can still hear her ornery chuckle and see her sweet smile. She loved her family so much! What sweet memories they have.

Pat Zvacek - April 21 at 02:29 PM

JM

“ Oh what a beautiful lady. She will so be missed. We will miss our front porch or back deck talks. You were the best neighbor we have ever had. You had a heart of gold. RIP and keep watch over your loved ones here on Earth.

Jeff and Jeanie McIntyre - April 20 at 12:38 PM

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“ Kevin and Sherry Straisinger purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Martha "Coleen" Huggins.



Kevin and Sherry Straisinger - April 19 at 11:51 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Martha "Coleen" Huggins.

April 19 at 04:04 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Martha "Coleen" Huggins.



April 19 at 04:04 PM



“ I had the honor to work with Colleen for many years at Solo Cup Company. Always dressed to the nines, never a hair out of place. A real classy lady is the best way to describe Colleen. She has gone to join her Huggy Bear but she will not be forgotten. Lorie Green Clark

Lorie Clark - April 18 at 10:12 PM



“ Beautiful words about a beautiful woman Kathy. Aunt Coleen was first and foremost a woman who loved her three precious children and her husband.
She was a woman of courage and strength and a "professional woman" for the Solo company. Her faith helped sustain her and she loved life; kind to friends and family and had a wonderful sense of humor; she liked to live life to the fullest. Although the "Allen" family members scattered as the years went by; the one thing that remained was the "love" we all shared in our younger days. She survived all her siblings and that was a God gift that we had Aunt Coleen to remind us of the Allen brothers and sisters. What a reunion in Heaven for the Allen family of Jimmie and Ethel Allen.

Vicki Allen Swarts, West Des Moines, Iowa

Vicki Swarts - April 18 at 06:46 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Martha "Coleen" Huggins.*



April 18 at 03:01 PM



“ *I have not been in the family very long but was privileged to meet and visit Aunt Coleen at her home several times over the past few years. She loved company from "back home" and we always had a very nice visit with her. She always had to feed us lunch when we came to see her and was such a wonderful hostess. I am glad for my short relationship with Aunt Coleen but have fond memories of such an amazing woman. Her family were her most treasured possessions and she will be missed by all of us very much. Kathy Rogers Humphrey, LaPlata, MO.*

Kathy Rogers - April 18 at 12:20 PM



“ *I remember the hotdog roast she had with family and friends fondly.*
Rita Clinger

Rita Clinger - April 17 at 04:10 PM