



Rebecca A. Steele

September 28, 1947 - February 7, 2026

Rebecca A. Steele, 78, of Marquand, Missouri, died Saturday, February 7, 2026, at her home.

She was born on September 28, 1947, on the Outer Banks, NC, to the late Jasper and Rebecca Ballance Willis.

She and Raymond Wesley Steele were married on May 25, 1995, until his death in 2014.

Rebecca, or Becky as she preferred, loved spending time outdoors and with nature. She loved to garden and was always willing to give cuttings and plants to everyone who visited her. She maintained numerous bird feeders and loved to watch the various species, all of which she could identify, that visited her feeders on a daily basis. She adored her cats, and they were always close. She collected seashells, rocks and even animal skeletons that interested her. She was a master seamstress, working at Grand Auto Upholstery from 1984 to 1995, where she met Ray, her husband. She enjoyed painting, making stained glass ornaments, drawing, and other various artistic projects.

Survivors include three children, Mandi (Nicole) MacDonald of GA, Jean (Lance) Conolly of PA and John (Anita) MacDonald of MN; three step-children, Melissa Steele of TX, Katrina Steele and Shannon Steele of IL, as well as six siblings, Eugene (Jan) Willis, Bobby (JoEllen) Willis, Vincent Willis, and Virgil

(Belinda) Willis all of Hatteras, NC; Betty Willis Fischer of Jacksonville, NC, and Cenith Kopsiskey of St. Louis, MO. She is also survived by thirteen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She had innumerable friends whom she considered as close as family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her siblings June Willis, Jack Willis, and Jimmy Willis, and her husband, Raymond Steele.

A Celebration of Life will be held from 12:00 - 2:00 PM Saturday, February 14, 2026, at Ford and Liley Funeral Home in Patton, MO.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandlileyfuneralhome.com

Ford & Liley Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB **14**. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Sending thoughts and prayers to you Mandi and family. I am very blessed to have met and spend time with her. RIP* ”

Shawn Ellsworth - February 14 at 03:15 PM

HC

“ *A wonderful part of a wonderful family.* ”

Harold Carlin - February 14 at 12:30 AM

RC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family, Mrs Becky will forever be in our hearts. We always looked forward to seeing her on our trips up. She will be dearly missed* ”

Robert Chambers - February 13 at 09:14 PM

LM

“ *Love- Derek, Korrie and Auggie MacDonald purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Rebecca A. Steele.* ”



Love- Derek, Korrie and Auggie MacDonald - February 13 at 10:06 AM