



Hope Strength

Funeral Service
First Christian Church
McPherson, Kansas
Thursday, January 29, 2026, at 10:30 AM

Officiant
Rev. Lynn Scott

Prelude Video Tribute Music
"How Great Thou Art" by Carrie Underwood
"Amazing Grace" by David Bauer
"This is My Father's World" by David Baroni

Service Music
Solo: "Amazing Grace"
Cyril Russell, vocalist & guitarist
Congregational Hymn: "How Great Thou Art" #33
Emma Perera, pianist

Casket Bearers
Jay Moore ~ John Moore ~ David Haxton
Troy Gilpin ~ Derek Moore ~ Dane Moore

Graveside Service
Laverne Memorial Cemetery
Laverne, Oklahoma
Friday, January 30, 2026, at 11:30 AM
Officiant: Scott Ware

Memorial Donations
Memorial donations can be given to the First Christian Church or Gentiva Hospice in care of Stockham Family Funeral Home, 205 North Chestnut, McPherson, KS 67460.

Appreciation & Luncheon
Joyce's family wishes to express sincere appreciation for all your prayers and kindness, evidenced in thought and deed, and for your presence at this service.

Following the memorial service, the family invites all to stay for food and fellowship in the fellowship hall.

Stockham Family Funeral Home



In Loving Memory
Emma "Joyce" Moore
July 22, 1935 - January 23, 2026





Memories

Emma Joyce Moore, 90, gained her heavenly wings on Friday, January 23, 2026, at The Cedars Rehab Center in McPherson, KS with family by her side.

Joyce was born at the family farm north of Rosston, OK to James & Gladys (Grozinger) Thomas on July 22, 1935. She graduated from Rosston High School in 1953 and attended Phillips University in Enid, OK for three years. Her last year in college, she transferred to Northwestern Oklahoma State University in Alva, OK and received her degree in Education.

On February 14, 1957, Joyce was united in marriage to Vernon Moore in Alva, OK and celebrated 60 years together. They were both educators and involved in both their church and community activities. Joyce devoted 20 years to teaching, serving as a junior high English teacher at Oakley School in Oakley, Kansas, and later as a fourth-grade teacher at Greensburg Grade

School in Greensburg, Kansas. Teaching came naturally to her, and she was truly a natural-born educator.

She loved roses and hydrangeas, and her favorite seasons were spring and fall. Her favorite saying, "As for my family and I, we will serve the Lord," reflected the faith that guided her life. She cherished holidays spent with family and enjoyed traveling. Her hobbies included reading and playing the piano and organ at church.

She gave generously of her time, serving her community through Meals on Wheels. She attended the First Christian Church in McPherson and belonged to P.E.O. and Eastern Star.

Survivors include: sons, Jay (Carolyn) Moore of Riverside, MO and John Moore of Canon City, CO; daughter, Sherri (David) Haxton of McPherson, KS; four grandchildren, Jade (Troy) Gilpin, Heather Haxton, Derek (Jessica) Moore & Dane Moore; two great-grandchildren, Cameron & Addison Gilpin; sister-in-law, Barbara Moore; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James & Gladys Thomas; husband, Vernon Moore; brother, Jim Thomas; brother-in-law, Vearl Moore; brothers-in-law & sisters-in-law, Melvin & Harriet Moore and Emery & Vivian Graves.

"When The Hurt Won't Go Away"

In bereavement, they say, if we don't mourn, the grief inside won't go away!

When tears won't fall and your chest feels full, the hurt seems there to stay.

When you remember today is your loved one's birthday, the hurt shows up again.

And when you tell your children how old he would be, here it comes again.

Scrapbooks, while they bring fond memories, leave longings in the heart.

But joy comes when we think of heaven's gates and realize that the hurt must now depart.

~ by Joyce Moore

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