



Evelyn Riggs Corkern

August 21, 1931 - September 8, 2025

EVELYN RIGGS CORKERN, AGE 94

And a resident of Franklinton passed away Monday morning September 8, 2025 at Good Samaritan Living Center. She was born on August 21, 1931 in Perryville, TN, a small town located on the beautiful banks of the Tennessee River. This is where she would grow up and raise her two children. Evelyn later moved to Franklinton, where she met and married her late husband, Doyle M. Corkern. Many in Franklinton knew her from the many years she worked, until retirement, at Thrifty Drug Store. She was a member of Trinity Baptist Church, where she shared her love for cooking and baking, especially pies. Evelyn also enjoyed cooking large holiday meals for her family. Her hobbies were taking care of her plants and lovely flowers, but her true joy was shopping for the "best deal". She would window shop and browse the clearance racks for hours on end. Garage sales and the thrill of a deal, was what she loved the most.

Survived by:

Daughter and Charmed Son in law: Kira and Murdock Brumfield

Grandchildren and Spouses: Deanna and Jay Hardy,
Katie and Chad Spears,

Colter Brumfield,
Sandy and Kendall Pereira,
Cheri Fulcher

Great-grandchildren and Spouses: Cassidy Spears, Jeremy Bryant, Bubby Bryant, Logan Brumfield, Madie Hardy, Ellie Hardy, Candace and Sam Hughes, Michael and Shannon Poche', Carmen and Javonne Smith, Zachary Fulcher

Great-great-grandchildren: Skyler Araya, Riley Araya, Liam Riffle, Madeline Hughes, Lillith Poche', Cassius Poche', McKinsley Smith, Kingston Smith, Knox Fulcher

Also numerous nieces and nephews

She was preceded in death by her son and daughter in law William Cledis Knight and Sue Knight, husband Doyle M. Corkern, father Willie Riggs, mother and step-father Mentha Lee Riggs Brasher and Kirt Brasher, granddaughter Allison Brumfield Newman, sisters Jewel Darnell, Orlean Phipps, brother James Riggs, and father of her children Willie E. Knight, Jr.

A graveside funeral service will be held in Ellis Cemetery on Wednesday September 10th at 11:00 am with Rev. Joey Miller officiating.

Pallbearers: Murdock Brumfield, Colter Brumfield, Chad Spears, Jay Hardy, Jeremy Bryant, Bubby Bryant

Tribute Wall

AY

“ I loved Aunt Evelyn very much. Some of my best and favorite childhood memories revolve around our visits to her house. I share her love for small doggies, bargain hunting, and gathering with family. I loved her big bathtub and remember her cozy back guest room.

Love,

Amanda Stewart Yorcis

(Inez Wascom's granddaughter and Jessie Stewart's daughter)

Amanda Yorcis - September 16, 2025 at 01:09 PM

TT

“ Miss seeing her as I deliver the mail.
Prayers for the family.
Bubba & Cindy Taylor

The Taylors - September 12, 2025 at 07:00 PM

LB

“ Ms Evelyn was such a sweet pleasant lady.
She always had a wonderful smile for everyone!!
Rest in Peace Ms Evelyn !! Prayers for Family
🙏🙏🌸. Loretta Spears Bracey



Loretta Spears Bracey - September 10, 2025 at 03:07 PM

DL

“ Always remember Ms Evelyn At Thrifty Drug.
I worked across the street at the first McVea Dental Center. Always
had a smile on her face.

Dianna Ladner - September 10, 2025 at 01:06 PM

GC

“ Always enjoyed Ms Evelyn at the drug store.
Had a nice smile and a good talk every visit.
RIP



Gayle Chavers - September 10, 2025 at 11:27 AM

MB

“ Mrs Evelyn was always such a sweet person.
So sorry for your loss, Kira and family.



Marlene Brand - September 09, 2025 at 09:59 PM

JM

“ Kira, I am saddened by the loss of your
mother, and hold you and your family in my
prayers. May she rest in sweet peace.



Judy McCasland Micelle - September 09, 2025 at 05:48 PM