



## Matilda "Tillie" Alexander

April 13, 1930 - September 14, 2023

Matilda "Tillie" Alexander, 93, passed away Thursday, September 14, 2023, at her home.

Tillie was born April 13, 1930, in Mayetta, Kansas to Willie and Lenora Wabskie Simon. She was a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation and began her education in a one room schoolhouse on the reservation and then attended Native American boarding schools in North Dakota, South Dakota and graduated from the Chilocea Indian Agricultural School in Chilocea, Oklahoma. On March 5, 1952, Tillie and F.S. "Jack" Alexander were united in marriage, enjoying more than 71 years together.

Tillie was employed by the Topeka State Hospital as a psychiatric aide for many years. She worked for the State of Kansas for several years before leaving to accompany her husband on his political circuit as well as others' political campaigns.

Tillie enjoyed sports. Among her favorite teams were the Dallas Cowboys and the Los Angeles Dodgers but none trumped her KU Jayhawks. Tillie was an excellent seamstress and bowling, shopping, planting flowers and travel were some of her favorite activities. But more than anything else, Tillie loved her family and especially loved her grandchildren. She will be greatly missed.

Left to cherish Tillie's memory are her husband, Jack Alexander; her children, Jack Alexander, Jr. (Jenny), Stephanie Alexander and Terrell Alexander (Lisa); her grandchildren, Shannon, Uler III, Alexandria Simone, Tishawna, Michaella and Marissa; great-grandchildren, Walter "Trey", Tasia, Uler IV, U'Zyah, U'Niese, Udonis, Usiris, U'Launi, Jason, Bryanna, Akkina, Cionna and Kanyon; seven great-great-grandchildren; her sister Mary Frost; many nieces and nephews; and a host of dear friends.

Tillie was preceded in death by her daughter, Patricia Alexander, granddaughters, Lori Ann Alexander and Kori Lea Alexander and her seven brothers.

Visitation will be from 5 until 7 p.m. Friday, September 22, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, September 23, at Mater Dei Holy Name Church. Entombment will follow in Mount Calvary Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to Home Instead or to Midland Care Hospice, sent in care of the funeral home.

Condolences may be sent online to [www.kevinbrennanfamily.com](http://www.kevinbrennanfamily.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Mount Calvary Cemetery

801 SW Westchester Rd  
Topeka, KS 66606

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **22**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home  
2801 SW Urish Road  
Topeka, KS 66614  
(785) 272-7888  
[info@kevinbrennanfamily.com](mailto:info@kevinbrennanfamily.com)

## Mass of Christian Burial

SEP **23**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Mater Dei Holy Name Church  
1114 SW 10th Street  
Topeka, KS 66604

# Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Matilda "Tillie" Alexander



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - September 22, 2023 at 03:52 PM

TG

“ Tillie was a beautiful lady she went to holy name church i would see her every Sunday at mass im sending my symphaty to the Alexander family may she rest in peace 🙏 ☐ terry I glenn

Terry I glenn - March 15, 2024 at 10:41 PM

MC

“ Steph, my condolences to, your dad Jack, and your brothers and the rest of all your family. Your mom was a beautiful person. Her smile was so warming. Praying for you all.

Mary Jo Chavez - September 24, 2023 at 01:21 PM

MC

“ When you came to the NAACP meeting I tried to remember to always bring you a Hersey candy bar. You can all you want now. I'll sure miss you Tillie



Marie Carter - September 22, 2023 at 12:22 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Matilda "Tillie" Alexander.*



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September 21, 2023 at 06:50 PM



“ *To Jack and Family,  
For many weeks members of the Bible Study Group familiar with you and your wife have lifted your names in prayer. Words of comfort may mean very little in times of such loss. We pray that you will cherish and be sustained by the many memories accumulated through the years.  
Humbly submitted,  
Pastor and members of the Calvary Baptist Church Bible Study Group*

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**E. Bernard Hurd** - September 21, 2023 at 06:22 PM



“ *Our condolences and prayers go to Jack and family. We are sad to hear that Tillie has left us and it will be different seeing Jack without Tillie because they were always together. Yet, we know that to be absent from this world is to be present with the Lord and that she has taken her rewarding journey. We will continue praying Jack and family through the loss of such an important member of your family. Peace, love, grace and mercy to you forever. Otto and Glenda Vaughn*



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**Dr. Glenda Overstreet Vaughn** - September 20, 2023 at 10:59 PM

VT

“ So very sorry to hear of Tillie’s death. She was an amazing lady, while I didn’t know her well, I loved chatting with her every time our paths crossed. May she Rest In Peace.

Vicki Huerter Tomlinson - September 20, 2023 at 04:48 PM

TD

“ Jack and all the Alexander family, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of Tillie. What a wonderful lady, always gracious with that infectious laugh and wonderful smile. Keep all your great memories of her close to your hearts to help ease your sorrow. May she rest in peace.  
Tom Day

Tom Day - September 20, 2023 at 02:15 PM

MT

“ Jack and family with deepest sympathy in the loss of your beautiful Tillie. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.

Susan and Gilbert Tinoco  
John Tinoco  
Marcella Tinoco

marcella tinoco - September 20, 2023 at 02:00 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Matilda "Tillie" Alexander.



September 20, 2023 at 01:14 PM

SU

“ My family and I are deeply saddened by Mama's (Tillie's) passing. We knew Mama for over 35 years. She and her husband, Jack, treated us as their children. We mourn Mama's passing and wish her eternal rest with her Maker. We wish Jack and his children and grandchildren peace, to heal their hearts and bring them comfort. (Sunday Ubokudom & Family, Toledo, Ohio).

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**Sunday E. Ubokudom** - September 20, 2023 at 12:27 PM

JE

“ Dear Jack and family- I am so sorry to learn of your loss! Tillie was such a gracious lady and will be dearly missed. Sending prayers to all of you.

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**Jerry Estes** - September 20, 2023 at 11:43 AM

PC

“ Terrill, we are so sorry to hear of your mom's passing! You are in our prayers brother! May she rest in peace. Prayers to you & your dad and family!

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**Paul & Margie Cervantez** - September 19, 2023 at 10:07 PM

AC

“ TA, Jimmy and I are sorry for the loss of your mom. We hope you find comfort in knowing that she is now soaring with the angels in the kingdom of God. We will be keeping you and your family in our thoughts and prayers. Jimmy and Anna Estes Chavez

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**Anna Chavez** - September 19, 2023 at 08:33 PM

AC

“ *Mr. Alexander, I'm sending you and your family my sincerest condolences for your loss. Mrs. Alexander was a wonderful woman and will be missed by many. May she be granted eternal rest in the kingdom of God and may her perpetual light shine bright. I will be keeping you all in my thoughts and prayers. 🙏🏻✝️🙏🏻 Anna (Estes) Chavez*

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**Anna Chavez** - September 19, 2023 at 08:31 PM

KM

“ *Mr. Alexander, Terrell, & all of your families, I am so sad for your loss but what a wonderful, long and full life. May you all find comfort in the promise of eternal life and knowing you will see her again, & in your beautiful memories. Kathy (Gardner) McKee*

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**Kathy McKee** - September 19, 2023 at 08:27 PM

KM

*My prayers are with you all.*

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**Kathy McKee** - September 19, 2023 at 08:29 PM

MH

“ *Jack & family I will always remember Tillie's infectious laugh and Jack just shaking his head. May all your memories sustain you thru the days ahead. Terrell, sending you a big hug Mary Kay (Grace) Hendrickson*

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**Mary Kay (Grace) Hendrickson** - September 19, 2023 at 06:32 PM

DS

“ Extending our prayers and sympathy to Jack and the Alexander Family.



Dominic Gutierrez Sr - September 19, 2023 at 05:12 PM

RS

“ Jack, TA, and family,  
I am very sorry to hear of Tillie's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Rick Strecker - September 19, 2023 at 03:58 PM

VM

Jack, so sorry to hear of Matilda's passing. (She hated it when I called her Matilda). I will always cherish the great times we had relaxing with the two of you. I so regret that I will be out of the country for her service. I look forward to the next time I can see you and we can reminisce about those good times. I love the two of you and know there is no way to begin to fill the hole left in your heart. Just hold onto the thought that I am only one of the hundreds that feel that way toward the both of you. Till I see you again, cling to the thought that she rests and rejoices in the presence of our Lord. Vic

Victor Miller - September 20, 2023 at 08:38 PM

RS

Jack, I know you two had great times together. I witnessed this as a friend and as a neighbor to you both. Nothing made me feel greater than the chucking and jiving we were able share together at our NIA meetings and gatherings. She is in a greater place now. God bless you both and your family.

Thinking of you,

Randy Sawyer

Randy Sawyer - September 21, 2023 at 10:10 AM

MP

*Jack and family - Tillie was one in a million. So sorry for your loss. The Tork family thought the world and all of her. Prayers for your comfort and peace.*

*Maggie Tork Prellwitz*

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**Maggie Tork Prellwitz** - September 21, 2023 at 05:50 PM

NA

*The Topeka City Mission Union, extend to the Matilda Alexander family our condolences. A beautiful soul has completed her earthly journey and now she is resting in the arms of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. St. Matthew 11:28 - Come to me, all who are weary and heavy laden, I will give you rest. In Love, Sis. Marty Patterson, Mission President*

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**Naudean Austin** - September 21, 2023 at 09:53 PM

CS

*Mr. Alexander please accept my condolences on behalf of Larry Shannon (dod 04/28/19). So sorry to hear of this and know Larry would have wanted me to send an acknowledgment to you. He certainly thought highly of you and appreciated all that you did for him. May you have your beautiful memories always.*

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**Carol M Shannon** - September 30, 2023 at 10:29 AM