



Rosemary Ellen Blackwood

September 24, 1935 - February 11, 2026

Rosemary Ellen Blackwood was born on September 24, 1935 in Saratoga Springs, New York to John and Ellen Trainor. They later moved to Jersey City, New Jersey where she grew up and was raised Catholic.

She married Don Erwin and had four children. They later moved to Kansas City, Kansas.

Years later, she married Joe Blackwood (who preceded her in death). They enjoyed spending time together. By day, they worked together in his upholstery shop; on weekends they enjoyed traveling, seeing friends and family, but especially the air shows. They even got interested in square dancing. Branson was one of the favorite destinations she enjoyed.

Rosemary was preceded in death by her husband Joe Blackwood, brothers Gerald and John Trainor; and first husband Don Erwin.

She is survived by her children David Erwin, Debbie Fausset, Diane Clark, and Denise Henry; six grandchildren; twelve great grandchildren; one great great granddaughter; and sister Kathleen Ogarek.

A visitation for Rosemary will be held on Saturday, February 21, 2026 from 12:00 - 1:30 PM at Maple Hill Funeral Home with a funeral service to follow at 1:30 PM. Burial will take place at Maple Hill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Merriam Gardens Healthcare and Rehab (9700 W 62nd St. Merriam, KS 66203).

Cemetery Details

Maple Hill Cemetery

2301 S 34th St
Kansas City, KS 66106
(913) 262-6610
info@maplehillfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 21. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home
3300 Shawnee Dr
Kansas City, KS 66106
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Funeral Service

FEB 21. 1:30 PM (CT)

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Burial

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Tribute Wall

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“ Kathy & Bill Ogarek purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Rosemary Ellen Blackwood.



Kathy & Bill Ogarek - February 17 at 05:19 PM

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“ Kathy & Bill Ogarek planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rosemary Ellen Blackwood.

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“ Suzanne, Pamela and Billy purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Rosemary Ellen Blackwood.



Suzanne, Pamela and Billy - February 17 at 04:54 PM