

# Ruth Ann McCleery

**Bethalto | Monday, September 28 2009**

Ruth Ann McCleery, 62, passed away at 8:27 am on Monday, September 28, 2009 at her home.

She was born on April 19, 1947 in Granite City, IL, the daughter of James and Beatrice (Thomas) Rigney

She married Richard McCleery on July 29, 1966 at the Bethalto United Methodist Church. He preceded her in death on June 16, 2009.

Ruth was a technician at Alton Mental Health Center until retiring in 2004. She previously worked for the Bethalto School District and for the Federal Government. She attended the Bethalto United Methodist Church. She loved her computer, playing pinochle, going on her scooter, shopping, and most of all being with her family and friends.

Ruth is survived by her mother Beatrice Rigney of Bethalto; a son, Richard E. McCleery Jr and his fiancée, Nancy Terpening of Bethalto; a daughter and son-in-law, Kim & Mike Hatcher of Bethalto and 2 granddaughters, Heather Hatcher and Brittany Hatcher of Bethalto.

In addition to her father, she is preceded in death by a brother, James C. Rigney Jr.

Visitation will be from 4 pm to 8 pm on Wednesday, September 30, 2009 at Elias, Kallal & Schaaf Funeral Home in Bethalto.

Graveside services will be at 2:00 pm on Thursday, October 1, 2009 at Woodland Hills Cemetery in Wood River with Pastor John Tennyson officiating.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Online condolences and guest book may be found at [www.eliaskallalandschaaf.com](http://www.eliaskallalandschaaf.com).