

Quiet presence will be missed at Magee Library

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For almost 25 years, Marjorie (Marge) Eubankes King was a helpful but quiet presence at the Magee Library.

King was approaching her 77th birthday.

She started working for Central Mississippi Regional Library System (CMRLS) in the 1980s after she had already put in 15 years at McAlpins Department Store.

Notes she kept on hand at the library describe the love, support and encouragement others have received from her and have wished her in return.

King, born in Tupelo, never forgot her roots. One prized possession she had at the library was a sixth grade class photo. In it, Marge noted a famous former classmate - Elvis.

While King wasn't a native of Simpson County, she was the resource many in the community went to looking for information about Magee. Through her both library patrons and others in the community have had their lives touched by her.

According to those who worked with her, Marge loved her adopted town, but it was her caring and willingness to help others that King will be remembered for.

"Working side by side with Ms. Marge for almost 14 years, I learned that I could always depend on her. She was my go to person all the time. She



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was my balance. She was very supportive and caring. I cannot tell you the amount of birthday, get well and whatever the occasion cards that she sent out to people. Every week I would always see an envelope in the outgoing mail basket. How she loved helping people! Once she set her mind to learn something, she did. She would worry so much about not knowing the computers until we made her step back and look at how far she had come. She was the only one who could talk me into taking two more cats home that we found at the library. She still owes me for the last one. I will miss her!" said Magee Public Library Branch Manager Frances Meadows.



Marge King kept her sixth grade class photo from when she lived in Tupelo. One of her classmates (second row standing on the right end) Marge noted was none other than Elvis Presley.