



Bettye Jo Smith

May 12, 1931 - May 11, 2021

Bettye Jo Smith, 89, of Laurel, MS died Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at South Central Regional Medical Center in Laurel, MS.

Bettye was born May 12, 1931 in Laurel to Alvin and Annie Myra Holifield. She was a member of First Baptist of Shady Grove. She played the organ and piano for 65 years, was a prayer warrior and what a faithful servant she has been. Mrs. Smith was a homemaker and seamstress at Author's Menswear.

She was preceded in death by her husband Robert T. Smith (2010), son Redgie Thomas Smith (2003), daughter Teresa June Norsworthy (2017), infant child, her parents Alvin and Annie Myra Holifield and her brother Leguin Holifield.

She is survived by her children Myra Fountain (Pete), Sharron Kerr (Harold), Gary Smith (Teresa Ann), son-in-law Gary Norsworthy, grandchildren Jeffery Fountain (Jennifer), Jared Norsworthy (Kelly), Drew Smith (Dee Ann), Drake Smith (Savannah), Katie Blackwell (Chris), great grandchildren Kole, Abby Gail, Alysia, Eli, Alice, Nicholson, Heather, Robert, Brayden, Jaxon, Oakleigh and Khloe, step grandchildren Chelsea Pressly (Nick) and William Chism, step great grandchildren Haylee and Matthew Pressly, brother Dennis Holifield (Becky), "Special Sister" Mary Ann Wardell (Lavoy) and other beloved friends and family.

Services will be held at First Baptist of Shady Grove in Laurel on Thursday, May 13, 2021 with visitation beginning at 9 a.m. and the service following at 11 a.m. Interment will be at Matthews Cemetery. Bro. Jason Goodwin will officiate.

Pallbearers will be Drew Smith, Drake Smith, Jared Norsworthy, Jeffery Fountain, Chris Blackwell and John Moore. Honorary pallbearers will be Lavoy Wardell, Roy Boutwell, Charles Ray Ashley, Charles Williams and Bobby Lowe.

The family would like to thank Guardian Angels Personal Care Home and all the employees for the love and care given to Mrs. Bettye.

To sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Cemetery Details

Matthews Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 13. 9:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist of Shady Grove
4514 Hwy 15 N
Laurel, MS 39443

Service

MAY 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Shady Grove
4514 Highway 15 North
Laurel, MS 39443

Tribute Wall

GM

“ So many memories, but my favorite is having her coffee ready when she got home from work we would sit at table drinking coffee eating a piece of her pound cake talking about her day, past and present things, just girl talk. She was truly an angel and will be missed dearly

gail smith mitchell - May 12, 2021 at 07:09 PM

CE

“ Charlotte Ellzey lit a candle in memory of Bettye Jo Smith



Charlotte Ellzey - May 12, 2021 at 06:48 PM

MS

“ So sorry for you loss. MS Betty was a very special lady and a dear friend. I will miss being able to speak to her. God Bless!
Martha Sims

Martha Sims - May 12, 2021 at 09:58 AM

JP

“ Judy Pitts lit a candle in memory of Bettye Jo Smith



Judy Pitts - May 11, 2021 at 08:56 PM

JP

“ So sorry to hear this. Mrs Betty was the sweetest person.Loved her an R T met them when I worked at Horne Nursery. Now they are together in heaven.Prayers with you all. Judy White Pitts

Judy Pitts - May 11, 2021 at 08:55 PM

DP

Such a sweet and Godly person. The Pope Family adored her. Heaven gained another Angel. Love and Prayers to the Smith Family.

Denise Pope - May 12, 2021 at 05:32 PM

DP

Mrs. Bettye was a kind, loving and Godly person. Heaven has gained another Angel.
Prayers and Love to the Smith Family.

Denise Pope - May 12, 2021 at 05:35 PM