



Bobbie Faye Townsend

June 7, 1931 - January 12, 2018

Bobbie Faye Long Townsend peacefully passed away on January 12, 2018, at home in her beloved Sharon Community.

She was born on June 7, 1931, to Herbert J. Long and Ida Mae Stokes Long. She graduated from Sharon High School in 1950 where she was an all-star basketball player and the salutatorian of her graduating class. On September 3, 1951, she married Gus Townsend, her husband of 66 years.

Bobbie was a faithful member of First Baptist Church of Sharon. She served her church and community in various leadership roles over the years. She loved her family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Herbert J. Long and Ida Mae Stokes Long; her sisters Eddie Lee Browning and Jackie Bush; her brothers Quincy A. Long and Ronald D. Long.

She is survived by her husband Gus Townsend; her three children, daughter Maylon Bartran (Frank), son Pat Townsend, daughter Dwelia Haas (Nick); her two grandchildren, Ashley Gatzman (Chuck) and N. Quentin Haas; great-granddaughter, Laura E. Gatzman; sister Ora V. Long and brother H.J. Long, Jr., and a host of nieces and nephews.

She was dearly loved and will be remembered by her family as the best cook in Jones County.

Visitation will be held at Memory Chapel on Sunday, January 14, 2018, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Funeral services will also be held at Memory Chapel on Monday, January 15, 2018, at 10:00 am. Matt Olson will officiate. Burial will be held at Sharon Cemetery.

Pallbearers include: Frank Bartran, Nick Haas, Chuck Gatzman, Miles Farragut, Mark Ishee, Tim Ishee, and Bart Gavin.

Honorary pallbearer will be Jim Townsend.

To view and sign our online guestbook visit www.memorychapellaurel.com

Cemetery Details

Sharon Cemetery

4375 Sharon Road
Laurel, MS 39443

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 14. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home
3100 Audubon Drive
P. O. Box 674
Laurel, MS 39440
(601) 428-5235
memorychapel@comcast.net
<https://www.memorychapellaurel.com/>

Service

JAN 15. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Gus, am sorry to hear about Bobbie. Just heard tonight. anything I can do just let me know. Marshall & Marie & JoAnn

Marshall Dearman - January 15, 2018 at 05:48 PM

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“ I loved working with Bobbie in the Extension Service Homemakers council in Jones County. She was fun to be with and always willing to help out. She was one of my favorite people to work with. I know she will be missed by many who knew her. My heart, thoughts, and prayers are with you upon hearing about her passing away. Sincerely Dorian Rogers-Heindl.

Dorian D. Rogers-Heindl - January 14, 2018 at 10:11 PM

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“ Loren Zawawi purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Bobbie Faye Townsend.



Loren Zawawi - January 14, 2018 at 03:03 PM

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“ If it wasn't for Bobbie Townsend I may have never known I had a brother. I'm sure he was mentioned at home, but since he was in the military when I was born I had never seen him. I will always remember sitting at the table with Dwelia and Bobbie asking me if I was excited my brother was coming home. That was the first argument I remember having with Mrs. Bobbie. Of course she won because I did in fact have a brother coming home although I denied this vehemently. The next argument I remember, I was a teenager and she accused me of dying my hair an auburn shade. I won that argument because it was the sun that had changed my color, not me. I will always love Mrs. Bobbie she carried me to almost every West Jones football game I ever saw. Boy Dwelia and our crew was always making banners and such. Thank you Mrs. Bobbie for enriching my life and accepting me into your home. I am a better person because of your leadership, friendship, and guardianship. Praying for all of you during this time. May God wrap His arms around you and give you the assurance she is home in His arms.

Jane Towe - January 13, 2018 at 11:21 PM

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“ Iris A. Browning purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Bobbie Faye Townsend.



Iris A. Browning - January 13, 2018 at 04:35 PM

BE

“ Prayers for Gus and family. Have known and loved this family my entire life. Many happy memories. Bobbie will be missed.
Barbara Brewer Edwards

Barbara Edwards - January 13, 2018 at 02:52 PM

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“ *Our Aunt Bobbie will be greatly missed. Loved her and the time we shared while visiting In Sharon and at Grandma and Grandpa Long’s house in Ellisville and camping at Clarkco! She loved her family fiercely. Much love to Uncle Gus and my cousins. Prayers for peace and comfort.*

Kristen Twedt - January 13, 2018 at 01:38 PM