



Bonnie Williams Keith

March 11, 1935 - May 15, 2024

Bonnie Williams Keith. 89, passed away Wednesday, May 15th, 2024, at her home by her daughter's side. She was born March 11th, 1935, and raised in the tight-knit community of Antioch near Laurel, Mississippi, to her late parents John and Vera Lovett. She resided her entire adult life in the Glade Community. Growing up in a large family with several siblings, Bonnie learned the value of love and unity. Sadly, her siblings have passed away: John Lovett, Hannon Lovett, Robert Lovett, Joe Lovett, Esther Deas, James Lovett, and Jessie Beech.

In 1952, Bonnie married Frankie Joe Williams and they had two children together. Their marriage was filled with happiness until Joe's passing due to cancer in 1993. However, Bonnie found love again when she married Leo Keith, and they shared a strong bond until his passing as well.

As a devout Christian, Bonnie was an active member of her local church where she not only taught Sunday school but also used her beautiful singing voice to praise God through gospel songs. Her love for music extended beyond the church walls and even led her to perform on local gospel radio stations. She loved to cook and garden, but above all else, Bonnie's greatest joy came from spending time with her beloved family. She took great pride in watching her grandchildren and great-grandchildren grow throughout the years.

She raised two children and two of her grandchildren. She survived the Glade tornado when her house was destroyed with her and her family inside. She was the embodiment of hard work and fortitude. In 1957, she was a Woolworth Dixie Bell when Laurel celebrated their Diamond Jubilee 1882-1957 celebrating 75 years.

Though she mourned the loss of her son Frankie Lane Williams (Karen) before her passing, she leaves behind a loving daughter Darlene Dearmon (Ray) along with numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren whom she adored: Frankie Lane Williams Jr., Roderick Williams (Leslie), Evan Williams, Jeremy Clark (Bridget), Jordan Clark (Grace), Whitney Whittington (Tyler), Allison Dearmon, Jeremy Dearmon and Whitney Toney. Cathrynn Ambercrombie (Nolan), Caitlynn Williams, Samantha Williams, Donovan Williams, Aries Terrell, Hayden Williams, Seth Clark, and Elias Clark.

She is also survived by her brother-in-law Glen Beech and stepchildren: Kenny Keith (Vickie), Patricia Cooley (Lanny), Gail Rittenhouse (Keith), and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Pallbearers will be Joe Lovett Jr, Roderick Williams, Jeremy Clark, Evan Williams, Jordan Clark, Tyler Whittington. Honorary pallbearers will be Seth Clark, Elias Clark

Services will be at The Rock Church at 635 MS-15 S Laurel MS Sunday, May 19th. Visitation at 2 p.m. with service at 3 p.m. Pastors will be Brother Jerry Rowley and Brother Rayborn Huff. Burial will follow at Mt. Vernon Church Cemetery.

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

Cemetery Details

Mt. Vernon Church Cemetery

839 Hwy 15 South
Laurel, MS 39443

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 19. 2:00 PM (CT)

The Rock Church
635 Hwy 15 South
Laurel, MS 39443

Service

MAY 19. 3:00 PM (CT)

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635 Hwy 15 South
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Tribute Wall

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“ *Darlene, we are so very sorry for the passing of your mother, Bonnie, she has been loved by my family for many, many years and will be missed and remember for a many more. I pray comfort for the family.*

*Sandra Dearmon Gant
and Family*

Sandra Dearmon-Gant - May 25, 2024 at 02:04 PM

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“ *Darlene: So sorry for the loss of your mother. She was always so sweet when we saw ya'll together. She will be missed. Praying for peace and comfort to your family in the days ahead.*

Angela & David Rudolph

Angela Rudolph - May 20, 2024 at 04:24 PM

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“ *Bonnie Keith was a joy and delight to those who knew her. She gave completely of her untiring love and help. Although I only met her when she married Uncle Leo, she gave me a personal gift in the form of a letter written by my father to her sister. I lost my father to divorce, but the letter she gave me revived my memory of a father who was full of fun. It is a priceless treasure from a wonderful lady, who knew the value of giving. Thank the Lord for dear Bonnie. You brought joy of living to all who really knew you.*

Terry Keith - May 19, 2024 at 08:41 AM

GF

“ *I pray for Lord God to bring comfort to Aunt Bonnie's extended family and friends.*

Amen

Glenda Flynt - May 18, 2024 at 11:38 PM

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“ *A remembrancemy Aunt Bonnie Williams always treated me with such lovingkindness like I was a child of hers. What a precious and giving personality.*

Glenda Flynt - May 18, 2024 at 11:26 PM