



## Cora May Powell Murray

May 9, 1921 - July 9, 2025

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of Cora Mae Powell Murray, who died on July 9, 2025, at the age of 104. She was born on May 9, 1921 in Semmes, Alabama to Oscar Joel Powell and Dora Elizabeth Shoemake.

Cora Mae (Cody) was a beloved wife, mother, sister, aunt, grandmother, great grandmother, great-great grandmother and a friend to many. In addition to her many years in Laurel, she also lived in Overt, Mississippi, Beaufort, South Carolina and Amelia, Louisiana. She will be remembered for being a member of the local Baptist Churches in and around Laurel. She also was a retired postal worker at the US Postal Service.

Cora Mae is survived by her son, Thomas E. Murray (Edna) and daughter, Emma Elizabeth Murray Musgrove (Wayne), her grandchildren, who called her "Nannie", Jacqueline Musgrove Logan (Rolf), Jill Musgrove (Grant Ingram), Duane Murray (Angele), Scott Murray (Celita) and Jason Murray (Stephanie), her seven great-grandchildren and twelve great-great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 59 years, M.L. Murray, and siblings Oscar Powell, Hazel Powell Lewis, Mable Powell Laedtke and Paul Powell.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, July 12, 2025, at Memory Chapel Funeral Home, 3100 Audubon Drive, Laurel, MS from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. On Sunday, July 13, 2025, visitation will begin at 12:30 p.m. with a funeral service at 2:00 p.m. followed by a graveside service at Hickory Grove Cemetery. Brother John Cockrell will officiate the service.

Pallbearers are Duane Murray, Scott Murray, Jason Murray, Brandon Murray, Rolf Logan and Grant Ingram. Honorary Pallbearers are her nephews: Harry Earl Lewis, Emit Lewis, Joey Powell, John Powell, Don Powell, Robert Boutwell, Bobby Boutwell and Lorie Boutwell.

The family expresses their gratitude for the love, thoughts and prayers during this time.

To sign the online guest book, visit [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Hickory Grove Cemetery

Intersection of 15th Street and Old Bay  
Springs Rd  
Laurel, MS 39440

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUL 12.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 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

**JUL 13.** 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Love, Tyler Cox, Linda, Judy and Chris purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Cora May Powell Murray.



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**Love, Tyler Cox, Linda, Judy and Chris** - July 12, 2025 at 11:34 AM

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“ Condolences from the Chisholm Family from Laurel, now in Arkansas.

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**Gil Chisholm** - July 11, 2025 at 12:34 PM

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“ Aunt Cody was one of the sweetest and kindest ladies I have ever met. I loved being in her home, it felt so warm and secure. She has been on my mind this week to call. I didn't and I am so sorry that I did not. RIP Sweet lady, I love you!!!

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**Sissy Lewis** - July 10, 2025 at 09:37 PM

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“ Kenneth & Patrice (Williams) Singleton purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Cora May Powell Murray.



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**Kenneth & Patrice (Williams) Singleton** - July 10, 2025 at 05:44 PM