



## Gwendolyn M. Hester

August 29, 1938 - February 17, 2020

Gwendolyn McCord Hester, 81, passed away peacefully at her home surrounded by her loving family and close friends.

Gwen is preceded in death by her husband, James D. Hester and her parents, Lavone McCord and Helen Pippen; and one brother, Preston Pippen.

Gwen is survived by her two sons, Kevin Busby and Timmy (Jennifer) Busby; grandchildren, Kevin James Busby, April Busby Hilbun, Skye Robinson, Tyler Robinson, and Hunter Robinson; great grandchildren, Ivy and Alyssa Hilbun; one sister, Debra Kitchens and a brother, Garland McCord. She is also survived by her constant and loving companion, Sam Chandler and Carmen Mertens, who was her new friend who helped her tremendously and cared for her 24 hours a day for months. Thanks so much!

Gwen was a loving mother and a fiercely loyal friend. She will be missed by all her family and many friends.

Gwen was a former nurse for Jones County Community Hospital and a scrub nurse for Laurel Clinic for Women.

A special thanks to all the ladies at hospice and all others who made her passing so peaceful.

Services will be held at Memory Chapel Funeral Home. Visitation will be from 5 until 7 p.m. Wednesday, February 19th and the service will be on Thursday at 10 a.m. Interment will follow at Hickory Grove Cemetery. Rev. David Hagan will officiate.

Pallbearers will be Tim Bass, Denny Caraway, Steve McCraw, Brian Busby,

Todd Belk, and Larry Parker.

Honorary pallbearers will be Allen Clark and Kevin Ulmer.

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

FEB 19. 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

FEB 20. 10:00 AM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall

BJ

“ Ms Gwen and my mother Emma lee Jordan worked together for many years her and judge Hester were good friends sorry for your loss she will be missed



Brian Jordan - February 20, 2020 at 01:17 AM

BC

“ So sorry for your loss. Gwen was a kind, sweet lady. You are in our prayers.  
The Bill Chancellor Family

BILL CHANCELLOR - February 19, 2020 at 04:39 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Gwendolyn M. Hester.



February 19, 2020 at 10:28 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Gwendolyn M. Hester.



February 19, 2020 at 08:44 AM

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“ *Charlotte Ellzey lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn M. Hester*



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**Charlotte Ellzey** - February 18, 2020 at 11:48 PM

JB

“ *Jennifer Busby lit a candle in memory of Gwendolyn M. Hester*



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**Jennifer Busby** - February 18, 2020 at 01:58 PM

JB

“ *My sweet mother in law is resting in peace with our Heavenly Father. She put up a good fight. We will miss her dearly. Love you Mama Gwen.*

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**Jennifer Busby** - February 18, 2020 at 01:57 PM