



## Katherine "Kate" Conrad Pitts

August 8, 1935 - February 7, 2020

With profound sadness we announce the passing of Katherine "Kate" Conrad Pitts, our loving and devoted mother, on February 7, 2020, at The Rose Garden in Ridgeland, Mississippi.

Kate was born in Taylorsville, Mississippi, on August 8, 1935. After graduating from Taylorsville High School, she moved to New Orleans, Louisiana, and lived with her Aunt Corrine. She worked as a switchboard operator and met her first husband, Ernest Conrad. They later moved to St. Petersburg, Florida, where they enjoyed bayfront life with their young family. When they returned to her hometown in 1972, Kate opened The Five K's, a shop named after her four girls and her, where she sold women's clothing, Merle Norman makeup, and, also, operated a beauty shop.

In 1995, Kate moved to Laurel, Mississippi. She co-owned The Toy Shoppe and managed several other businesses. She was blessed by the fellowship of the Wesley Circle and the Emmanuel Sunday School Class at the First United Methodist Church. Kate thoroughly enjoyed attending the Laurel Little Theater productions.

In 2001, Kate married Roy Pitts, a retired Master Sergeant of the U.S. Air Force.

Whether she was called Kate, Katie, Miss Kate, Aunt Kate, Granny or Mama, she was known by all as a strong, and beautiful, sweet and sassy, self-sacrificing, full-of-life, classy lady who loved to entertain and always had open arms to hold babies or anyone in need. She leaves a lasting legacy of

unconditional love and laughter for her beloved family and many others. Kate was preceded in death by her parents, Claude and Daisy Robinson, brothers Bob and Jimmy Robinson, husband Ernest Conrad, and husband Roy Pitts. She is survived by daughter Kim Edwards (Chuck), grandsons Chase Edwards (Rebecca), Cameron Edwards (Brandi); daughter Robin Carpenter (Jim), grandsons Kyle, Peyton and Price; daughter Kristi Ballard (Brent), granddaughters Kelsey Ballard Rogers (Neil), and Anna Ballard Fair (William); daughter Katherine Moran (Mike), grandchildren Megan Moran Pace (Ben), Michael Todd Moran (Peyton), and Max; and many great grandchildren; sisters Vera Robinson Windham, Debbie Robinson Phillips; and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, February 12, 2020, at 10:00 AM with visitation beginning at 9:00 AM at Memory Chapel Funeral Home, 3100 Audubon Drive, Laurel, MS 39440, with graveside service to follow at Lake Park Hills Cemetery.

Donations may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. To sign the online guest book, visit [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Lake Park Hills Cemetery

2806 Emmy Dr.  
Laurel, MS 39440

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 12. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home  
3100 Audubon Drive  
P. O. Box 674  
Laurel, MS 39440  
(601) 428-5235  
memorychapel@comcast.net  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Katherine "Kate" Conrad Pitts .*



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February 11, 2020 at 05:25 PM



“ *Elizabeth, Jennifer & Laura, Steve & Mary Castle purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Katherine "Kate" Conrad Pitts .*



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**Elizabeth, Jennifer & Laura, Steve & Mary Castle** - February 11, 2020 at 03:11 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Kate. She was a very sweet lady. Prayers for you all.*

*Etta Sanderson*

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**etta sanderson** - February 11, 2020 at 07:02 AM



“ *Susan Ishee Holmes lit a candle in memory of Katherine "Kate" Conrad Pitts*



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**Susan Ishee Holmes** - February 10, 2020 at 05:09 PM

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**Susan Ishee Holmes** - February 10, 2020 at 04:59 PM

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“ *Kate was such a good friend. Always with a smile on her face and a warm laugh to make you feel loved and welcome. Miss you Kate and I will always remember the good times!!!*

*Love, Sandra and Bucky Walker*

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**Sandra Walker** - February 10, 2020 at 03:49 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Katherine "Kate" Conrad Pitts .*



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February 10, 2020 at 02:30 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Katherine "Kate" Conrad Pitts .*



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February 10, 2020 at 02:02 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Katherine "Kate" Conrad Pitts .*



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February 10, 2020 at 12:14 PM



“ *Your Family From Amick Farms purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Katherine "Kate" Conrad Pitts .*



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**Your Family From Amick Farms** - February 10, 2020 at 10:33 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Katherine "Kate" Conrad Pitts .*



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February 10, 2020 at 10:08 AM

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“ 8 files added to the tribute wall



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**Cameron Edwards** - February 10, 2020 at 09:50 AM

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*Beautiful family with beautiful memories in all their hearts. 💕*

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**Tina Murphy** - February 11, 2020 at 12:21 PM