



## Laura Bell Hall Norman Thornton

January 1, 1925 - January 20, 2015

Laura Bell Hall Norman Thornton, 90, of Laurel, died Tuesday, January 20, 2015, at her residence.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, January 23, 2015, at First Church of God in Laurel, with visitation starting at 11 a.m. Friday at the church. Burial will follow at Hickory Grove Cemetery. Rev. Duane Parker and Rev. Raymond Horne will officiate.

Prior to her retirement, Mrs. Thornton worked as chief deputy city clerk for the City of Laurel. She was a member of First Church of God in Laurel. She was loved by all who knew her and was known as a loving friend, sibling, and especially, mother and wife. She loved the outdoors and growing flowers, but most of all, she loved God and her family.

“Do not stand at my grave and weep. I am not there. I do not sleep.”

Mrs. Thornton was preceded in death by her first husband, Sidney Laverne Norman, second husband, Thomas C. Thornton, two sons, Joel Sidney Norman and Gary Laverne Norman; six sisters; and three brothers.

Survivors include one daughter, Susan L. Norman of Laurel; four step sons, T. K. Thornton (Jeanette) of the Myrick Community, and Michael Thornton (Ruth), Bryon “Butch” Thornton (Selma), and Chester Thornton (Patsy), all of the Powers Community; sister, Faye Bristow (Jamie) of Mobile, AL; a host of step grandchildren, step great grandchildren, and nieces and nephews; and her caregivers, Nancy Lofton, Linda Parker, and Pamela McAndrews.

Pallbearers will be Destin Parker, David Grasha, Marty Cheeks, T. K.

Thornton, Jr., Jim Sellers, and Joseph Dixon.

Memory Chapel is in charge of the arrangements. To view and sign the family guest book, visit [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ Susan,  
We were so sorry to hear about your Mother, she will be missed by many people, everyone loved her. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Carl & Jean Carlos** - January 25, 2015 at 10:47 AM

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“ *Laura Bell Hall Norman Thornton*

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**Gavin Murphy & mother Sylvia Murphy** - January 23, 2015 at 12:13 PM

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“ *My thoughts & prayers are with you, Susan, and the rest of your family during the passing of your mother! She was a very good Christian & friend to our family. You will miss her greatly! Keep your memories of your family close to your heart! Linda*

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**Linda G. Walton** - January 22, 2015 at 01:14 PM

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“ *Sweet Christian lady. Our loss heavens' gain! Praying for the family!*

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**Claudia and Charles Holifield** - January 21, 2015 at 12:00 PM