



Lucinda Fay Johnson

February 12, 1928 - November 23, 2015

On the morning of November 23, Lucinda Fay Johnson of Laurel, Mississippi, was called to rejoin the love of her life, Odell, in their new heavenly home. Fay was 87.

Raised on a small farm in Jasper County, she was the daughter of Willie and Lucinda Sumrall and the fifth of 12 children. She would often tell her own children about attending school in Stringer during the depression, wearing hand-me-down, homemade dresses, carrying a biscuit and cold sweet potato in a syrup bucket for lunch. They called her “Freckle Face Fay”, but even as a child she passionately sought out beauty in all its forms. She absorbed everything she could on style and fashion. As a teen, she saved up money to send off for freckle cream remover! She taught herself to paint with oils in midlife. An inspired melody or the foliage of a tree in fall could move her to tears.

Fay’s last earthly home was at Provision Living in Hattiesburg, where she made many friends whom she loved and who loved her.

Fay’s husband Odell preceded her in death in 2007. She is survived by three sons and their spouses: Johnny Odell and his husband Jim of Minneapolis, Minnesota; Douglas Johnson and his wife Patsy of Rock Hill, South Carolina; David Johnson and his wife Anita of Hattiesburg, Mississippi; as well as four grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren. Fay leaves behind one sibling, her sister Joan Auburn of Stringer, Mississippi.

Funeral services will be held at Memory Chapel in Laurel on Saturday,

November 28th at 2 p.m. with burial Lake Park Hills Cemetery. Visitation will begin at 12:30 p.m. She would be so proud to know that her grandson, Pastor Intern Joe Johnson of Jackson, will be officiating.

Memorials should be directed to the American Cancer Society. Memory Chapel of Laurel is in charge of the arrangements. To sign the guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Tribute Wall

CM

“ *My condolences to Doug and family. Be sure to pass on her tales of yore. I am sure she saw a lot of changes in her life. -Regards.*

Clare Marcum - November 30, 2015 at 07:58 PM

RG

“ *David and Family, we are thinking of you and may the Peace of Christ be with you now and forever.*

Rick and Roma Graham - November 29, 2015 at 10:11 AM

UC

“ *Jon,
Please know that the ladies of The Unique, Sophisticated, Girlfriends Inspirational Reading and Literary Society are carrying you in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.
We regret that we did not have the opportunity to meet the gracious woman behind the inspiration for Miss Hazel
Much love to you and your family*

U.S. G.I.R.L.S Book Club - November 27, 2015 at 06:28 PM

TF

“ *What a beautiful obituary...for a beautiful life. Bless you all!*

Tony Franks - November 25, 2015 at 06:46 PM

JB

“ Jon Odell,
*It is with heartfelt compassion that I extend my condolences to you and your family.
Please take this time to reflect on all the happy moments and good times you shared.
I pray that you find comfort in the same words that you shared with me after the loss of my dear swwet mama when you were in Jacksonville in February.
You are in my thoughts and prayers. JayBee*

Jennie Blue - November 25, 2015 at 06:05 PM

DR

“ *So sorry for your loss. I worked with your dad at Sanderson Farms for 5 years.*

Donna Riles - November 25, 2015 at 04:30 PM

DL

“ *I'm very sorry for your loss. Your mother had a long and happy life. I wish the best for you and the rest of the family as you move forward. Dorothy*

Dorothy Johnson Ladoceour - November 25, 2015 at 03:04 PM

EM

“ *Rest in Peace, Miss Hazel.*

Ed Mauldin - November 25, 2015 at 10:57 AM

LW

“ *Jonathan and family, please accept my heartfelt sympathy for your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers for peace and comfort.*

Linda Rogers Weiss - November 25, 2015 at 09:09 AM

MA

“*Fay had so much love she must have been a wonderful woman. My condolences to her family and many friends.*

Mary Lois Adshead - November 25, 2015 at 08:18 AM

RM

“*What a vibrant life you led. Some only dream about things. Some only die filled with a sack of regrets. Not you. Not you. Thanks for being the inspiration to a creative and intuitive Jonathan - who we love dearly. Rest well.*

Rose McGee - November 25, 2015 at 12:47 AM

HH

“*Thank you for your life and giving spirit to all you came in touch with. RIP*

Hollis Jordan Huntoon - November 25, 2015 at 12:18 AM

JE

“*My deepest sympathy to all the family. May you draw comfort from the lord at this time. she will be missed .*

Janette Johnson Easterling - November 24, 2015 at 09:20 PM