



Mary (Pegie) Sims Holifield

November 25, 1940 - May 13, 2026

Mary Sims Holifield, or “Pegie” as close family and church family called her, passed away on May 13, 2026, at home at the age of 84.

She was preceded in death by her granddaughter Alisa Nacole Varner, son Rickie Melvin Varner, father John Allen Kirby, mother Jewel Heathcock Kirby, and previous husband Charles Robert Sims.

She is survived by her current husband Cecil (Shorty) Holifield, daughter Susan Varner, son Richard Varner, grandsons Timmy Varner and Christopher Varner, at least one great-grandchild, and brothers Roy Gene (Voncile) Kirby and Bill Allen (Cathy) Kirby.

Graveside services are scheduled for Friday, May 15, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. at Myrick Cemetery on Lower Myrick Road. Bro. Troy Hobson will officiate. Per Pegie’s request, there will be a closed casket and no visitation.

In lieu of flowers, take yourself and a loved one out for a meal, as she enjoyed going out to eat, or donate to a charity of your choice in her name.

Pallbearers will be Scott Parish, Jimmy Hendry, Timmy Kirby, Tommy Kirby, Rodney Kirby, and Timmy James.

To view or sign the online guestbook, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Cemetery Details

Myrick Cemetery

1490 Lower Myrick Road
Laurel, MS 39443

Upcoming Events

Graveside Service

MAY 15. 1:00 PM (CT)

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