



## MELBA DEAN SIMS TAYLOR

July 14, 1933 - July 2, 2022

Melba Dean Sims Taylor, of Laurel, MS, was born July 14, 1933. She passed away July 2, 2022 at the age of 88.

Visitation will be held at Memory Chapel on Wednesday, July 6, 2022, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Graveside services will be held at Myrick Cemetery on Thursday, July 7, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. Pastor Robby Johnson will officiate.

She is survived by her four children, Rayford (Sheila) Taylor, Clay (Susan) Taylor, Jimmy (Melissa) Taylor, all of Laurel MS, and Linda (Robert) Dearman of Purvis MS; fourteen grandchildren, Joey Taylor, Lauree Ward, Sara Hester, Carrie Shearer, Sonya Mott, Stormy Sherman, Ryan Taylor, Jessica Carney, Jeremy Dearmon, Allison Dearman, Laken Miller, Chance Taylor, Derek Dearman and Devan Dearman; thirty-two great grandchildren and four great-great grandchildren.

Melba is preceded in death by her husband of nearly 70 years, William Clayton Taylor; one daughter, Mary Lafaye Taylor; her parents, Leroy and Jimmie Sims; four sisters, Verlon Wiles, Merlene Ivey, Elizabeth Cooley and Eleanor Cochran; and one brother, James Sims.

She was a homemaker and a poultry grower for Sanderson Farms. Her joys in life were spending time with her husband, her children, grandchildren and

great grandchildren. She loved working outdoors, canning fruits and vegetables, and taking of her family and home. Her favorite scriptures were The Lord's Prayer, The 23rd. Psalms, and Proverbs 3:6, "In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy paths."

Pallbearers will be Joey Taylor, Ryan Taylor, Derek Dearman, Devan Dearman, Chance Taylor and Hunter Holifield.

The family wants to give a special thank you to caregiver, Mary Altman Beckham, and Deacon Hospice nurse, Ashli Palmer, and Deaconess staff.

To view and sign the online guestbook, visit: [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Myrick Cemetery

1490 Lower Myrick Road  
Laurel, MS 39443

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 6. 5:00 PM - 8:00 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/>

## Graveside Service

JUL 7. 10:00 AM (CT)

Myrick Cemetery  
1490 Lower Myrick Road  
Laurel, MS 39443

# Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry for the passing of your loved one. Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers.

*David & Angela Rudolph*

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**Angela Rudolph** - July 06, 2022 at 12:32 PM

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“ Stormy Sherman lit a candle in memory of  
*MELBA DEAN SIMS TAYLOR*



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**Stormy Sherman** - July 06, 2022 at 11:38 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of *MELBA DEAN SIMS TAYLOR*.



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July 05, 2022 at 11:13 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of *MELBA DEAN SIMS TAYLOR*.



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July 05, 2022 at 02:24 PM