



Sarah Joan Brumfield

August 16, 1933 - January 28, 2026

Sarah Joan Brumfield was born in Sandersville, Jones County, MS on August 16, 1933, and passed from this life on January 28, 2026. Most people knew her as “Joan”, her middle name that she commonly used. She was preceded in death by her parents, William T. and Sara E. (Lewis) Lightsey; husband of 70 years, Wyatt E. Brumfield, Sr.; brothers, William T. Lightsey, Jr., Charlie L. Lightsey, and James A. Lightsey; and sister, Ellen M. Lightsey.

She is survived by a son, Wyatt E. Brumfield II (Tracy) of Laurel, MS; a daughter, Suzan C. Murdock (Rex) of Gautier, MS; sister, Judyth Parish; and a host of grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

Joan graduated Summa cum laude from Metropolitan State College in Denver, CO with a Master’s Degree in Criminology. She moved to Indonesia in 1978, after her husband accepted a job there with Chevron Oil. While living there for eight years, she voluntarily taught English to several of the villagers. Upon her return in 1986 and settling in Laurel, MS, she became an active member of First Trinity Presbyterian Church, a member of the Newcomers Club, and volunteered at the Lauren Rogers Museum, contributing in many ways to the church and community.

Funeral services will be held at Memory Chapel Funeral Home in Laurel, MS. A visitation will begin at 1:30 PM on Friday, February 6th, with a funeral

service to follow at 2 PM. A private family graveside will follow.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 6. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home
3100 Audubon Drive
P. O. Box 674
Laurel, MS 39440
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memorychapel@comcast.net
<https://www.memorychapellaurel.com/>

Funeral Service

FEB 6. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *It is with sadness that I heard of Joan’s passing. I knew her from newcomers. We had great times with gourmet club, and playing bridge with them and the socials every month. Your mom and dad were so much fun to be with. With sympathies and prayers, Warren and Joy Knapp.*

Joy Knapp - February 03 at 10:39 AM

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“ *Wahjudi Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Sarah Joan Brumfield.*



Wahjudi Family - February 02 at 06:40 PM

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“ *Deepest sympathy extended to the family.
Good memories of Wyatt and Joan.
Prayers for comfort and peace.*

Linda Patterson

Linda Patterson - February 01 at 09:49 PM