



## Wema (Weazy) Reon Blackledge

March 7, 1933 - March 27, 2021

Wema (Weazy) Reon Blackledge, age 88, passed away on Saturday, March 27, 2021. She was born March 7, 1933 in Laurel, MS the daughter of Ellis Blackledge and Odie Henderson Blackledge. She lived her entire life in Mill Creek, Jones County. Wema was employed at Norris Dispensers, Inc., Ora C. Collins Associates, Inc. (Petroleum engineer consultants), Ellisville Auto Supply, Inc., and retired from Coho Resources, Inc. (Oil & Energy company). Wema was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Laurel, Mississippi.

Her service at the Congregational Methodist Church of Mill Creek and Lake Bogue Homa included Sunday school teacher, Secretary, Youth leader and Music Director. In her service at the First United Methodist Church of Laurel, she served in various roles including; Children's Sunday school teacher; Chairman of the Yearly Food Fest (known far and wide for her chicken pot pie); Member of the Staff Parish Committee and Member and Leader of the United Methodist Women Wesley Circle. Wema also held several offices in the Mississippi Conference of United Methodist Women, including President.

As a young lady, Wema sang with her sisters Joyce and Beatrice as a harmonic trio enhanced only as sibling voices can. They celebrated with their voices in local church meetings, camp ground revivals and regional gospel "Sings". She was a member of the Country Gardeners Club. She loved to

entertain and made gatherings a celebration. She enjoyed directing weddings for many local couples.

Wema's passion was service to others. The faithfulness and loyalty to her family was remarkable. She was a wonderful cook for which she used to the great benefit of her family, community and church. In her professional career her attention to detail was impeccable and her dedication was unparalleled.

Survivors include her sisters-in-law, Bonnie Bush Blackledge, Carolyn Touchstone Blackledge, nine nieces and nephews: Kenneth Blackledge, Stanley Blackledge, Gregory Blackledge, Karen Milner, Karla Milner Martin, Stephen Milner, Stewart Milner, Pamela Blackledge Hunt, Janice Blackledge Clark, grand and great grand nieces and nephews, and a host of cousins. All of whom will dearly miss her presence, loyalty, love and support.

She was preceded in death by her parents Ellis Blackledge and Odie Henderson Blackledge; her brothers James Blackledge and Wayne Blackledge; and her sisters Joyce Blackledge and Beatrice Blackledge Milner.

Visitation will be held at Memory Chapel Funeral Home, Laurel Mississippi on Thursday, April 1, 2021 from 12:00 noon until 2 p.m. A memorial service will begin 2:00 p.m. at Memory Chapel followed by a short graveside service afterwards at the Dennis Blackledge Cemetery in Jones County adjacent to the family home.

Memorial gifts can be made to the Children's fund at the First United Methodist Church of Laurel.

Pallbearers will be; Kenneth Blackledge, Stanley Blackledge, Gregory Blackledge, Stephen Milner, Stewart Milner and Cody Pitts.

To sign the online guest book, visit [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 1. 12:00 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/>

## Service

APR 1. 2:00 PM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home  
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# Tribute Wall

PM

“ Dear Family,  
So very sorry for your loss. Wema was a wonderful friend and mentor, especially in the church UMW. We enjoyed visiting and working together and we will miss her but Heaven is rejoicing over one of their own. Blessings, peace, and love.  
Patty and Mike Mapp

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**Patricia Mapp** - April 04, 2021 at 03:08 PM

LF

“ Wema was such a fine Christian lady. She was one of my mother's dear friends. Mother and Wema worked on many committees and projects at First United Methodist and were in the same garden club. Many times when I was visiting home, she brought something delicious to eat. She was always interested in my children and their lives. I had hoped to visit her once the Covid scare ends. I know she is visiting with lots of family and friends in heaven. I am sorry I could not attend her service; I know it was a wonderful celebration of a life well-lived. Louise Welborn Fall

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**Louise Fall** - April 02, 2021 at 02:42 PM

BG

“ Weazy was a sweet Christian Lady and the finest Secretary and friend that a man could ask for.

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**Bob Gilbert** - March 31, 2021 at 10:32 PM

CW

“ Dear Weazy, I know you are thrilled to be united with your Family in Heaven. I hope you and Joycey are singing the beautiful song I grew up listening to you guys sing. You two were always mine, and my Dad's, favorite duet. I am praying for your family members here on earth... until we meet again, Rest In Peace  
Connie Welch

Connie Welch - March 31, 2021 at 10:06 PM



“ Carmen Smith purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Wema (Weazy) Reon Blackledge.



Carmen Smith - March 30, 2021 at 10:04 PM



“ Carmen Smith purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Wema (Weazy) Reon Blackledge.



Carmen Smith - March 30, 2021 at 09:13 PM

DR

“ Donna Riles lit a candle in memory of Wema (Weazy) Reon Blackledge



Donna Riles - March 30, 2021 at 09:32 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Wema (Weazy) Reon Blackledge.*



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March 30, 2021 at 09:28 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Wema (Weazy) Reon Blackledge.*



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March 30, 2021 at 08:44 AM



“ *A very special memory for me was going up to Joyce and Weazys house for breakfast on Christmas morning. This went on until they were unable to do it. This took place for about 60 years or more. One never questioned whether they would go or not ...believe me we all went cause that breakfast was unbelievable and being with family the very best of times.*

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**Carolyn Blackledge** - March 29, 2021 at 06:49 PM

SE

“ Wema was a dear and special friend for many years. We worshiped together at First United Methodist Church, and I was privileged to serve with her as Children’s Sunday School teacher for many years. We often celebrated birthdays together and shared meals, as well as our love of flowers. She always shared vegetables and pecans with me as long as she was able. I will forever miss her and her friendship, love and kindness! She dearly loved all of her family, but especially her nieces and nephews!  
Love and prayers for all of her family and all who loved her!  
Sarah Entrekin

Sarah Entrekin - March 29, 2021 at 03:30 PM

CB

So many memories of Miss Wema ..... and the entire family..... thinking of everyone in this family ..... love to y'all always ❤️❤️❤️  
Cindy blue

cindy blue - March 30, 2021 at 10:14 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Wema (Weazy) Reon Blackledge.



March 29, 2021 at 02:22 PM

PM

“ We were so fortunate to have met Weazy and experience her sweet and wonderful hospitality. Her Christmas card will be missed this year. Our sympathy to each of you.  
Warren and Pat Mason

Patsy Mason - March 29, 2021 at 12:21 PM

LM

“ *What wonderful special REAL southern bell. Always a small meal cooked, that was really a feast. A blessing to have known her, I will miss her many hand written cards. Prayers and love to the family.*  
**LYNN MASON, PAT MASON, WARREN MASON**

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**Lynn mason** - March 29, 2021 at 12:07 PM



“ *Weazy was an integral part of my life. She showed me how to be a lady with class and dignity sharing Christ's love to all I meet. Because of her super ability to pour into others I felt loved and special. I will always be grateful that God put her in my life.*

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**Carmen Smith** - March 29, 2021 at 11:30 AM