



Billie Jean Belew

October 10, 1936 - September 19, 2008

Billie Jean Belew, 71, Russellville passed away on Friday, September 19, 2008 at her residence after a courageous battle with cancer with her family at her side. The visitation will be 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. Sunday, September 21, 2008, at Spry Memorial Chapel. The funeral will follow at 2:00 p.m. in the chapel. Bro. Willard Templeman and Bro. A.G. Stepp will be officiating. Burial will follow at Franklin Memory Gardens. She was preceded in death by her parents, Wylie and Zelma Sparks- Russellville. She is survived by her husband of 51 years, Marlin Belew; sons, Jerry - Hamilton, Kenneth (Tracey)- Cherokee, Joel (Dr. Paula Belew)- Athens; daughter, Patricia (James Cooper)- Russellville; grandchildren, Brandi (Brian) Fox- St. Louis, MI, Stephen (Kacie) Cooper- Memphis, TN, Jamie Cooper- Russellville, Kenny Belew- Madison, AL, Lindsey Belew- Cherokee, Matthew Belew- Athens; great grandchildren, Jack Cooper- Memphis, TN, Alex Fox- St. Louis, MI; three sisters, Lucille Humphries- Russellville, Barbara Ann Skidmore- Russellville, Linda Underwood- Bethsadie; brothers, James L. Sparks- Florence, O'Neal Sparks- Russellville; and numerous nieces and nephews. Pallbearers will be Stephen Cooper, Jamie Cooper, Kenny Belew, Matthew Belew, Brian Fox and Elijah Hester. She loved Crestview Baptist Church and its members. She was passionate about her family. She enjoyed reading, cooking, frying peach pies, playing pinochle, and watching her hummingbirds. The family would like to thank the nurses and staff at Hematology & Oncology Associates in Tupelo, MS, Dr. Julian Hill, Martha, Cheryl and Bobbie. We would also like to thank Dr.

Anthony Kalliath and his staff at the Blood and Cancer Center in Florence and Linda Knight. Thanks to Cynthia Rollins and Hospice of the Shoals for the wonderful care that you gave. Special thanks to Renay Hallman, Judy Miller and Sharmaine Fike. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Crestview Baptist Church. Spry Memorial Chapel assisted the family. To sign the register book and to offer private condolences to the family, go to www.sprymemorialchapel.com.

Tribute Wall

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“ I would like to extend my condolences to the Belew family for your loss. I have many fond memories of Jean from all the time I spent with Patricia at the log cabin when we were growing up. I especially remember the time she made turtle soup for all of us. Jean was a warm and wonderful person and I know she will be deeply missed.

Regina Rogers - September 26, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ Kenny, So sorry for your loss, please tell your sister I'm sorry. If there's anything I can do, please let me know.

Michelle

Michelle Grisham - September 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM

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“ Thinking of you all in this time of sorrow. Sorry that I couldn't be there and I didn't know that Jean was that bad. Just know that I care.

Shirley H Lindsey

shirley lindsey - September 21, 2008 at 12:00 AM