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Barbara Sue (Lovelace) Ezekiel, age 76, died Thursday, October 28, 2021, in Germantown, Tennessee. She was born March 9, 1945, in Crockett County, Tennessee to the late John Robert and Martha (Sumerlin) Lovelace. After graduating from Crockett High School in Maury City in 1963, she married the love of her life, the late Lynn Ezekiel in August, who preceded her in death in 2000.

Sue and Lynn lived in Chestnut Bluff outside of Halls for many years where they raised their two children, Jeff and Dawn. Both were active in Halls and the surrounding communities, as well as at Gates Baptist Church. She was also the proprietor of a beauty salon in her home for many years until she retired in 2000 to be a caretaker for her husband.

Mama Sue, as she was known to so many, lived with a true servant's heart. A talented seamstress, hairdresser and beloved grandmother and mother, she is survived by her son, Jeffrey L. Ezekiel (Laura) and Dawn Ezekiel Ray (Tom) and four grandchildren: Taylor and Jordan Ezekiel and Tripp and Zane Ray. She also leaves behind two brothers: Robert (Elaine) Lovelace of Moscow and Gene (Deeann) Lovelace of Finley. Additionally, she leaves behind her many nieces and nephews whom she treated as her own children, as well as dear friends, in-laws and cousins.

She loved her family fiercely and moved to Germantown in 2015 to be closer to her grandchildren and children. A passionate Christ-follower, she attended Crossroads Baptist Church in Eads. She loved with a selfless heart and spent her time giving to others and showing her love through food, sewing, positivity and encouragement.

Her favorite things on this Earth were her four grandchildren, whom she doted over and spoiled senseless. She could ALWAYS be heard cheering for her grandchildren at soccer matches, baseball, football and basketball games, as well as dance competitions and anything they were taking part in at Briarcrest and in the Memphis area. She was truly their #1 fan.

When she wasn't spending time with her family, she sewed for the Memphis Woman's

Exchange, where her handiwork has been seen on some of Memphis' finest dressed children at Easter, Christmas and every special occasion in between.

She was a fan of the St. Louis Cardinals (of which she never missed a televised game unless it was to watch her grandchildren) and Memphis Tigers Basketball. She was never at a loss for words, often doling out advice to any and all she encountered, and always told you exactly what you needed to hear, even if it wasn't what you wanted to hear. She approached every situation with an unparalleled positivity, and truly lived by her favorite saying, "it is what it is."

A visitation for Memphis area family and friends will be held Thursday, November 11 from 5:30pm till 7:00pm at Crossroads Baptist Church, 125 Houston Levee, in Eads. Viewing will be held Friday, November 12 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at Halls Funeral Home in Halls, Tennessee, with the funeral following at 1 p.m. in the chapel, and burial at South Fork Cemetery in Chestnut Bluff.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in her honor to Crossroads Baptist Church, Gates Baptist Church or Briarcrest Christian School.

Cemetery

South Fork Cemetery

TN,

Events

NOV 12 Visitation 10:30AM - 01:00PM

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Halls Funeral Home

109 North Church Street, Halls, TN, US, 38040

NOV 12 Service 01:00PM

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Comments



“ Dave & Gara Strong lit a candle in memory of Barbara Sue Ezekiel



Dave & Gara Strong - November 13, 2021 at 06:53 PM



“ Opal Robertson lit a candle in memory of Barbara Sue Ezekiel



Opal Robertson - November 13, 2021 at 11:24 AM



“ Nancy Reece Rose lit a candle in memory of Barbara Sue Ezekiel



Nancy Reece Rose - November 12, 2021 at 12:04 AM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara Sue Ezekiel.



November 11, 2021 at 02:55 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara Sue Ezekiel.



November 11, 2021 at 02:39 PM



“ KNEW BARBARA AND HER FAMILY ALL MY LIFE. WONDERFUL FAMILY. SHE WAS A GREAT LADY AND WILL BE MISSED. FLY HIGH MY FRIEND.

HAZEL RODGERS JONES - November 11, 2021 at 08:24 AM



“ Thank you sweet Dawn for introducing me to your precious mom, sweet Mama Sue. I so loved her from the first day we met. I will sooooo miss her smile, laugh, all the stories about you, Tom, your brother and the numerous grandchildren stories she was so proud of. She loved you all with her whole heart and it was so obvious. A huge hole is left in our hearts until we see her again, which we know she is with our Lord and Savior no doubt. She told me several times she was ready to go when the Lord was ready for her. That is so comforting. Maybe she, my mom and Rachel have teamed up to be angels watching over us til we meet again. We love y'all and are praying God's perfect peace over your sweet family....
And P.s. We will so miss her yummy pecan and chocolate chip bread! It was delicious !

Becky Lewis - November 10, 2021 at 09:30 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Barbara Sue Ezekiel.



November 10, 2021 at 08:31 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Barbara Sue Ezekiel.



November 10, 2021 at 04:45 PM



“ Sue, Lynn and this dear family are dear friends of mine. I treasure that relationship with them. They were true Christian Friends in whom I miss dearly. My prayers are with the dear family left behind. God Bless and keep you.
Jerrell Dawson and Family.

Jerrell - November 10, 2021 at 03:54 PM



“ Serene Reflections Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara Sue Ezekiel.



November 10, 2021 at 12:30 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Barbara Sue Ezekiel.



November 10, 2021 at 12:04 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Barbara Sue Ezekiel.



November 10, 2021 at 11:11 AM



“ When I first met "Mama Sue" at one of my son's Briarcrest basketball games, I thought, this lady may just cheer and yell louder than me. I was so relieved! She was a precious funny and unforgettable lady who loved her family, adored her grand babies and loved life in general. She sat with my mother, Vivian, and another grandmother, Geri, at most of the games. They were the three amigos at those games. So cute!

Mama Sue told me she was here to spoil her gran babies rotten no matter what Dawn and Tom. I will miss "Whoooooo Go Trip!!!!" coming from her soul and heart. Love you Mama Sue. May you Rest in Peace. Michelle, Jimmie, Connor and Vivian.

Michelle Mancell - November 10, 2021 at 10:55 AM



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November 10, 2021 at 10:49 AM



“ I'd like to share one of my fondest memories of Ms Sue. Dawn, I never told you this before.

Ms Sue was one of my dearest friend's mom. I spent countless nights at Dawn's house since we were little girls. I loved spending the night there because Ms Sue had a beauty shop and I thought that was the neatest thing. One time when I was at her house, we were probably around ten or so, Ms Sue offered to put my hair in a bun and teach me how to do it. She sat me in her beauty chair and showed me just how to do it (lots of bobbie pins!) and made the prettiest perfect bun that I thought was so beautiful. That memory and hair bun really stuck with me! Ms Sue sure made me feel special that day. Fast forward 15 years to my military service, we were required to wear our hair in buns in uniform. For the last 20 years, every single time I put my hair in a bun, I think of Ms Sue, her words, and her bobbie pins. Every single time. Her memory has stayed in my heart my entire career and always makes me smile. She and Mr Lynn were so special. My love and prayers to Dawn, Jeff, their kids, and everyone who holds a special place for Ms Sue in their hearts. Love you Dawn.

Mark Amber Saldana - November 10, 2021 at 10:38 AM



“ Dawn, Jeff, and families, I have such fond memories of Sue when our children were young. She also was my hair stylist many years ago. I'll miss her vibrant personality and sweet spirit shown to everyone. God bless you all as you say good-bye to Sue; she was a good friend, and I'll miss her.

Barbara V Hendren - November 10, 2021 at 09:59 AM