



## Mildred Branson

November 18, 1935 - December 12, 2016

Branson, Mildred, age 81, of Shelby, passed away on December 12, 2016. Visitation will be from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Thursday, December 15, 2016 at Bolton Funeral Home. The funeral service will follow at 2:00 p.m., with Rev. Howard Brasher officiating. Burial will follow in Shelby Garden of Rest. Bolton Funeral Home is directing.

Mrs. Branson is preceded in death by her husband: John Branson and brother: Howard Benson. She is survived by her daughter: Jan Teachey (Ken); son: Alan Branson (Lisa); grandchildren: Brittany (Chris), Katie, Will (Anna), Branson, and Jake; great grandchildren: Grayton, Brooks, and Emma Grace; brother: James Terry Benson (Linda); sister-in-law: Bunny Benson; nephews: Terry Benson and Jamie Benson; niece: Connie Wheeler; and numerous other family and friends.

Please sign online condolences at [www.boltonfuneralhome.com](http://www.boltonfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Shelby Garden of Rest

Heritage Road  
Shelby, AL 35143

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 15. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Bolton Funeral Home  
207 Hwy 47 South  
PO Box 4  
Columbiana, AL 35051  
(205) 669-3179

## Funeral Service

DEC 15. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

JF

“ *Jim, Lisa, Frances, Rose, Tony & families purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Mildred Branson.*



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**Jim, Lisa, Frances, Rose, Tony & families** - December 14, 2016 at 11:45 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mildred Branson.*



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December 13, 2016 at 05:32 PM

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“ *What a wonderful Wife and Mother.... Mrs. Branson will always be remembered.*  
*Kathy Crockett Starks*

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**Kathy Starks** - December 13, 2016 at 03:35 PM

HJ

“ I was privileged to have grown up in the Community of Shelby with Mildred and consequently have know her all of my life. I attended elementary school with her in Shelby and subsequently Shelby County High School in Columbiana. She and I were members of the SCHS Class of 1954. Among a lot of memories about her is that she was the kindest and most caring persons that I ever knew.



*I wish to express to all of her family members my very sincere sympathy and condolences.*

*Hylott L. Armstrong, Jr.*

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**Hylott L. Armstrong, Jr.** - December 13, 2016 at 08:43 AM

JM

“ Dear Family:

*I am sorry to hear of Mildred's death. I grew up in Shelby with her, and she was a dear friend of my sister Pattie Merrell Brasher, who died in 2011.*



*I remember Mildred as a cheerful, thoughtful person, looking out for others--as evidenced by one special memory I have of her.*

*One night I was hitchhiking home to Shelby from outside Birmingham when a car passed me, then slowed down, and a voice came out the passenger window: "Howard."*

*The voice was Mildred, who was riding home with Annette Davis in Annette's car when she spotted me and told her: "Stop, Annette--that's Howard Merrell."*

*"No," Annette told Mildred, "that's not Howard."*

*But it was, and I've always appreciated that Mildred spotted me and told Annette to stop.*

*Mildred suffered a double tragedy some years ago when her husband and brother died on the same day.*

*Now, she is beyond suffering and tragedy, safe in the arms of the Lord.*

*God bless all of you.*

*Jesse Howard Merrell*

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**Jesse Howard Merrell** - December 13, 2016 at 06:58 AM