



Willodean "Dean" Bell

October 5, 1934 - September 20, 2020

Bell, Willodean "Dean", Willodean affectionately known as Dean passed away surrounded in love and comfort with the grace of God and family on Sunday morning, September 20th, 2020.

She is survived by her children: Shirley Lea (Scott), Sandy Boykin, Danny Lee Bell (Lori Brisky) and Hope Bell. Surviving her also are grand-children and step grand-children: Bo Boykin, Matthew Boykin, Kathryn Lea-Rodriguez (Kevin), Joshua Bell (Jamie), Kayla Bell, Hope Bell, Sarah Bell, Emily Bell and Lillie Bell. Great-grandsons: Rowan Bell and Bryden Bell.

Dean was born in Winston County, Alabama growing up in Double Springs, She worked in the home of Dr. Malcolm Blake and his wife Jayne prior to marrying and moving to Birmingham to live in Forestdale and raise her family. When her husband retired, they moved to Lay Lake/Bozo's in Shelby, Alabama. She was a compassionate caregiver and loved every child she kept baby sitting through the years as they were her own children, never forgetting each one of them. A Christian lady who loved the Lord and was a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church in Shelby, Alabama there she was blessed to work and teach children's vacation Bible School. Another enjoyment after the passing of her husband was volunteering to work in the Widow's Mite – Earthly Treasures ministry.

A wife and Mother who saw that her family was always put before her needs and medical conditions through the years was a 24 year breast cancer survivor and blind from glaucoma. Unfortunately, dementia set in taking away

her means to respond, walk, think and be herself as known by so many who knew and loved her. She lived in the home of her daughter and son-in law the past year and enjoyed the comfort of being able to be with her family in her final days.

Dean is also survived by brothers: Shirl Daniel (Barbara), Truman Daniel (Carolyn), Waymon Daniel (Dianne), sisters: Hazel Smith (Raymond), Wanda Fannin (Dale). Sister-in-laws: Carolyn Martin, Christie Daniel, Era Jean Daniel, Fayrene Daniel, Gracie Daniel and Margaret Bell.

Many nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and friends are integral parts of her life that she loved dearly.

Dean was preceded in death by her husband Leo Bell, parents Bennie and Ollie Mae Chambers Daniel, son-in-law J. T. Boykin, Jr., brothers: Wayne Daniel, Gene Daniel, Lee Daniel, Bobby Daniel and Johnny Daniel. Sisters: Betty Jo Daniel and Faye Williams.

Thank you, Dr. Rhonda Carter and Southern Care New Beacon Hospice, Dr. Megan Bullard. Words cannot express our gratitude and love for the caregivers that came into Dean and her family's life these past weeks. Thank you Darlene Dowdy, Janet Anderson, Robin Pickett, Kim Parker, Vonda Kay Vick, Miguel Fergerson and Jackie Miles.

The visitation will be on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at Bolton Funeral Home with the service beginning at 10:00 a.m. with Bro. John Roland officiating. At the conclusion of the service, the family will depart and travel to gravesite at Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Hwy 195, Double Springs arriving at approximately 12:30 for the committal service closure. God blessed Dean's family with her life and love. We know that peace and comfort awaited her as she entered heavens gates.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Olive Cemetery

22575 AL 195
Double Springs, AL 35553

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 22. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

SEP 22. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kathy Morris lit a candle in memory of Willodean "Dean" Bell*



Kathy Morris - September 22, 2020 at 01:17 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Willodean "Dean" Bell.*



September 21, 2020 at 04:28 PM