



Frances Stewart Ball

January 20, 1937 - December 15, 2020

Frances Stewart Ball, 83, passed away on Tuesday, December 15, 2020, at Baptist Memorial Hospital-Golden Triangle in Columbus, Mississippi. Private funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, December 17 in the Nowell-Massey Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Heath Hillman officiating. Private graveside and Interment will follow in Murphy Creek Cemetery. A Celebration of Life service will be held at a later time.

Frances, born on January 20, 1937, was one of 14 children born to Winford Wade and Carrie Izora Stewart in Winston County, Mississippi, of the well-known Stewart Pottery Family. She was a graduate of Bond High School where she was voted as "Miss Bond" during her senior year. Frances was also involved in basketball and cheerleading during her high school years. She was a committed member of the First Baptist Church of Louisville for 54 years where she was involved in WMU and the Joy Club and was also a dedicated choir member. Frances and her husband, Buddy, were entrepreneurs of several business ventures in Louisville. Among them were Peggy's Grill, Kwik Pik #1, Kwik Pik #2, Sunshine Laundromat, and Fran's Florist. One of her hobbies was gardening as evidenced by her 40-year membership in the Town & Country Garden Club. She was also involved in the Friends of Legion State Park and Habitat for Humanity. Frances has first elected to serve as an alderwoman for the City of Louisville in 1977 and has served a total of 23 years. She dedicated her life to the service of others, the City of Louisville,

and to community service for which she was awarded the Woman of the Year Award and the Lifetime Achievement Award presented through the Winston-Louisville Chamber of Commerce. The essence of her life can be best summarized by her words: "My greatest joy is being with my family. I intend to continue to serve my community, church, and family as long as I can. The strongest force in my life is serving and worshiping God. One of my greatest strengths is prayer and God's word. Louisville is very special to me. I have raised my family here. My children and most of my grandchildren attended or attends school here. It's a great place!"

Frances is survived by her loving husband of 64 years Marion "Buddy" Ball. She is also survived by her children: Debbie Ball Williams of Olive Branch, Mississippi, Marion "Rooster" Ball and wife Jennifer of Louisville, and William Ball and wife JJ of Noxapater, Mississippi. One of her greatest joys was being "Sue" to her nine grandchildren: Carley (Ramey) Smith, Casey (Lindsey) Cade, Taylor Williams, Laurel Ball, Madelyn Ball, Mack Ball, Stewart Ball, Wyatt Ball, and Roper Ball; as well as her four great-grandchildren: Sarah Scott Smith, Catherine James Smith, Holt Cade and Mia Cade. Frances is survived by her siblings: Sammie Alumbro, Frank (Earline) Stewart, Brenda (Wayne) Castleberry, Dixie (Marlon) Williamson, Zelda (J. W.) Gully, Pat Goodin, Junior (Louise) Stewart, Bobby Stewart, Bill (Charlene) Stewart, and Delaine (Donnie) Woodruff, as well as a host of loving nieces and nephews. Frances was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Charles Stewart and Jack Stewart, her sister Janet Gentry, three nephews: Stephen Goodin, Dan Stewart, Wade Stewart, and her niece Cindy Faust.

Serving as pallbearers are Stan Goodin, Will Hill, Cully Hudspeth, Hal Nowell, Russ Nowell, and Jeff Terry. Honorary pallbearers are Scott Dalton and Drew Massey. Memorials in honor of Frances may be given to the First Baptist Church of Louisville, 2378 S. Church Avenue, Louisville, MS 39339.

Services are under the direction of Nowell Massey Funeral Home, 724 North Columbus Avenue, Louisville, MS. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family by signing the guest register at www.nowell-masseyfuneralhome.com.

<https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/XJMPQ78XM3WM9C5K>

Cemetery Details

Murphy Creek Baptist Church Cemetery

5379 Bond Road
Louisville, MS 39339

Tribute Wall



“ *Massey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Frances Stewart Ball*



Nowell Massey Funeral Home - December 24, 2020 at 09:42 AM



“ *Frances Stewart Ball*

January 29, 2023 at 06:32 AM



“ *Our thoughts & prayers are with your family.*

*Jewell Hill
Quinton & Diane Hill*

Jewell Hill - December 17, 2020 at 11:56 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Frances. I looked forward to visiting with her at the Hamm reunions. She'll be missed. Prayers for all the family. Rest in peace cousin.*

Charlotte Weaks - December 17, 2020 at 04:30 PM

TP

“ So sorry for your loss. Praying for your sweet family.

Teresa and Danny Price - December 17, 2020 at 12:50 PM

JW

“ Woody and I were very fond of Frances! We have known her and her family a long time and we always counted them as our friends! Prayers for all during this time of loss! Please accept our heartfelt condolences💔💔💔

Jessie Woodiel - December 17, 2020 at 11:32 AM

JH

“ We are sorry about Frances's death. Cherish all the good memories and remember all the advice that she gave you! God Bless.
Janice and Hubert Hunter

Janice and Hubert Hunter - December 16, 2020 at 09:06 PM

MH

“ Sincere sympathy,
Mozell Hull

Mozell Hull - December 16, 2020 at 08:16 PM

DH

“ Frances as a special friend and cousin. Every time I saw her it was a hug and how are you. Her death was a shock but I know she is rejoicing in Heaven. Prayers for the family today and days to come.

diane hicks - December 16, 2020 at 07:53 PM

BM

We are so sorry for your loss. We are praying for your family. Dwight and Brenda Moore

Brenda Moore - December 18, 2020 at 07:08 AM

JM

“ My heart and prayers are with ya'll. Ms. Frances was a wonderful Christian woman, sister, "Momma", wife and good friend to many; she was a blessing to my Momma and to me. She looked after us ALL and we're blessed to have had her in our lives.

Jenise McGraw-Greer - December 16, 2020 at 06:16 PM

DW

Thank you Neechie. Debbie

debbie williams - January 07, 2021 at 05:05 PM

HE

“ Janie and I are so sorry for your lost. We know for sure where she is and what she is doing. Visiting with the family, singing and sharing her wonderful experiences with her 13 siblings. You all are in our prayers and we will miss her very much

Harley and Janie Eaves - December 16, 2020 at 03:54 PM

BS

“ We thought highly of Frances. She was always such a happy, giving person, someone you liked to be around. We were so saddened when we heard of her death because we had heard that she was doing better. May God give you His grace to carry you through this difficult time. We are praying for all of you. May God's love and comfort sustain you.

*In Christ's love,
Bro. Wayne and Jo Sanders*

Bro. Wayne and Jo Sanders - December 16, 2020 at 02:36 PM