



## Jean B. Coward

December 11, 1929 - July 29, 2020

Jean Brumfield Coward, age 90, passed away surrounded by her loving family on Wednesday, July 29, 2020, at her residence in the Oak Grove Community in Noxapater, Mississippi. Graveside services and interment will be 11 a.m. Friday, July 31 in the Oak Grove Baptist Church Cemetery with Rev. Charles Rook and Dusty Coward officiating. The family encourages everyone to follow COVID-19 precautions.

Jean was born December 11, 1929, to Cullen and Grace Fortenberry Brumfield in Tylertown, Mississippi. She was a member of Liberty Baptist Church of Noxapater. For many years, she taught Sunday school, training union classes, and Vacation Bible School at Oak Grove Baptist Church. She was a homemaker and was very involved in 4-H activities when her children were young. MawMaw Jean was an avid outdoors person; she loved beautiful flowers and enjoyed working in her flower beds; and she loved to fish. She loved spending time with her family especially on Christmas Eve when each family member was expected to be at her house. As long as her health allowed her to travel, she enjoyed watching her grandchildren and great-grandchildren play any sport in which they participated.

Jean is survived by her loving husband of 69 years Troy Coward of Noxapater; and four children: Beverly Wilkes also of Noxapater, Janice Stephens and husband Doug of Eupora, Mississippi, James Coward and wife

Judy, and Troy Coward, Jr. and wife Marsha all of Noxapater. Also, she leaves behind one sister Jennie (Gene) Norman of Summit, Mississippi, and one brother Jewel (Evelyn) Brumfield of Bogalusa, Louisiana. One of her greatest joys was being “MawMaw Jean” to her 10 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents; four brothers: Bill, Frank, Bob, and Roland Brumfield; one sister Lula Meadows; her granddaughter Amanda Coward; and her son-in-law Tuck Wilkes.

Serving as pallbearers are Chet Wilkes, Justin Wilkes, Dusty Coward, Hays Stephens, Corey Coward, Ty Duran, and Connor Stephens.

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.nowellmasseyfuneralhome.com](http://www.nowellmasseyfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Oak Grove Baptist Church Cemetery

19 Asa Thomas Road  
Noxapater, MS 39346

# Previous Events

## Graveside

JUL 31. 11:00 AM (CT)

Oak Grove Baptist Church Cemetery  
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Noxapater, MS 39346

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jean B. Coward*

January 29, 2023 at 06:32 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*

**Lynn (Hobby) Watson** - August 02, 2020 at 04:00 PM



“ *Miss Jean was such a wonderful mother to the Coward family...she was such an important part of the Noxapater community...she was a blessing to so many people. We are so very sorry for your loss...know that we are praying for family and friends. Much love in Christ, Mary and Johnny Snow*

**Mary Snow** - July 31, 2020 at 09:35 AM



“ *So sorry for yall's loss. Aunt Jean was a very special lady and I have some great memories of her. Mama and daddy named me after her what a honor that is. Yall are all in our thoughts and prayers love yall. Benton, Abby and Keagan Kennedy*

**abby kennedy** - July 31, 2020 at 09:31 AM

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“ Jean was a wonderful person! She had such a great capacity to love everyone and help in any way that she could. Jean and I have been family and friend for many years! I will miss just knowing that she was always there but I rejoice in believing that her sweet spirit and smile brightens heaven today!

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**Jessie Woodiel** - July 30, 2020 at 12:53 PM

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“ So sorry for all Jean's loved ones. She and Mr. Troy raised a fine family and She will be missed.

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**mary reed** - July 30, 2020 at 09:19 AM