



Joan Maxey Hensley Nance

April 5, 1935 - June 24, 2025

Joan Maxey Hensley Nance, 90, passed away on Tuesday, June 24, 2025, at her home in Noxapater, Mississippi, with her loving family at her side. Funeral services will be 3 p.m. Sunday, June 29, 2025, at Noxapater United Methodist Church in Noxapater, with Reverend Sarah Windham officiating. Visitation will be the day of the service at the church from 1:30 p.m. until service time. Interment will immediately follow the service in Noxapater Methodist Cemetery.

Joan was born April 5, 1935, to H. B. "Shine" Maxey, Sr. and Bessie Lee Creekmore Maxey in Noxapater. She was a gifted seamstress, known for creating beautiful keepsake quilts and a variety of decorative crafts, including crocheted items and intricately beaded eggs. Her passion for quilting led her to become an active member of several quilting guilds. Joan also found great joy in square dancing and was a proud member of the Flutter Wheels Square Dance Group. A true lover of flowers, she took pride in her beautiful flower beds and always enjoyed fresh-cut blooms.

Joan is survived by her daughter, Joyce Ellison (Tom) also of Noxapater. One of her greatest joys was being "Jo" to her grandchildren: Jennifer Ellison and Beau Ellison (Emily); and her great-grandchildren: Ellisa VanLierop, Jace VanLierop, Brady Ellison, Reid Ellison, and Ainsley Ellison. She is also survived by her brother, H. B. "Bud" Maxey, Jr. (Barbara); as well as numerous

nieces, nephews, other family members and friends. Joan was preceded in death by her first husband, Thomas Lee Hensley; son, Mike Nance; parents, Shine and Bessie Lee Maxey; brothers, Danny Maxey and Robert Maxey; and her sister, Jean Thomas.

Services are under the direction of 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.masseyfuneralhome.net.

Cemetery Details

Noxapater Methodist Cemetery

Noxapater, MS 39346

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 29. 1:30 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Noxapater United Methodist Church
Noxapater, MS 39346

Service

JUN 29. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Interment

JUN 29 (CT)

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Tribute Wall

GW

“ Joyce and family she was lovely. She brought great joy to my family. Especially Tom in choir.

Gayle Wekenman - June 25, 2025 at 04:38 PM

IN

“ I will never forget mrs.joan, she were a big part of my life,she believed in me when I didn't believe in own self.I am going to truly miss her.i know that she wouldn't dare to change places with me.Mrs.Jo I will definitely see you again

Ivy Nunn - June 24, 2025 at 09:10 PM

MR

“ Always impeccably dressed. Smiling . A real lady. Remember first knowing her from working at the bank. Watched her stay so strong through her trials. God bless all who love her

mary reed - June 24, 2025 at 04:05 PM

NE

“ Many precious memories with Jo, a very talented, sweet, beautiful cousin. Happy with Mike and her love ones, see you soon. 🙏❤️🙏

Nadine Estes - June 24, 2025 at 02:47 PM

JW

Jo was a lovely person. My parents loved her at least as much as they did me ❤️ many sweet memories and I pray for her family 🙏 My daddy is probably already picking at her about something ❤️❤️🙏🙏🙏

Jessie Woodiel - June 25, 2025 at 02:14 PM