



Mary Theresa Vowell

September 27, 1947 - March 30, 2025

Mary Theresa Vowell, 77, passed away on Sunday, March 30, 2025, at her home in Louisville, Mississippi. Funeral services will be Thursday, April 3 at 2 p.m. in the Massey Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Taylor Yarbrough officiating. Visitation will be the day of the service from 12:30 p.m. until service time at the funeral home. Interment will immediately follow the service in Louisville Memorial Cemetery.

Mary was born September 27, 1947, to Marvin Lee and Earnestine Garrard King in Louisville. A woman of deep faith, Mary was an active member of West End Baptist Church. There she found community and strength while serving as the choir director for 20 years.

Mary spent over 40 years as a dedicated floral designer, a career that highlighted her exceptional talent and eye for beauty. Her work brought joy and inspiration to countless people, reflecting her warm and kind-hearted nature. Those who knew her cherished her for her unwavering faithfulness and the gentle kindness she shared with everyone she met.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Mary Anne Johnson and husband, Berry; and her son, Ronnie "Buzzy" Johns all of Louisville. One of her greatest joys was being "Boo Boo" to her five grandchildren: Leighanne (Doug) King, Shey Johnson, Casey (Midori) Johnson, Michael Johns, and Barley Johns (Kayla);

as well as her six great-grandchildren: Bryce King, Bentley King, Talan King, Brodie Tate, Luca Johnson, and Noah Johnson. Mary is also survived by her brother, Neal King (Sandra) and sister, Ruby Collins; in addition to her nieces, nephews, other family members, and friends.

Mary was predeceased by her beloved husband, Ricky Vowell, who remained close to her heart throughout her life. Together, they shared many cherished memories and built a life filled with love and mutual respect. She was also preceded in death by her granddaughter, Kristi Johnson; her parents; and three brothers, Jerry King, Wayne King, and Benny King.

Serving as pallbearers are Doug King, Bryce King, Bentley King, Brodie Tate, Casey Johnson, and Barry Vowell. Memorials in honor of Mary may be given to the Alzheimer's Association online at alz.org.

In these difficult times, the family extends their heartfelt gratitude to the Gentiva Hospice team, including Melissa, Ashley, Stephanie, Lynn, Allison, and caregivers Maria, Dorothy, and Lestine, for their compassionate care and support over the last year and a half of Mary's illness. Their kindness and dedication made a significant difference in Mary's final days, providing comfort to her and her loved ones.

Mary Theresa Vowell will be dearly missed by all who knew her, but her legacy of love and beauty will continue to live on in the hearts of those she touched.

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

Memorial Park Cemetery

Louisville, MS

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 3. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Massey Funeral Home
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Interment

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