



Bessie M. Ballew

December 16, 1938 - January 28, 2019

Bessie (Brown, Deason) Ballew, age 80 entered into rest January 28, 2019 at her residence. Bessie was born in Bristol, FL and had lived in Ormond Beach for twenty-five years before moving to Tallahassee a year and a half ago. She was formerly employed with Zales Jewelry Company. Bessie was preceded in death by parents Harold Parish and Ellie Parish Brown; step-father Joe Parish and her husband Guerry Ballew. Survivors include daughter Diane Smith and husband Mike of Tallahassee; son Michael Deason and wife Jean of Crawfordville; four grandchildren Kacey West and husband Justin, Brandon Fields and wife Katie, Meagen Delisle and husband Bobby, Gerren Mardis and wife Bailee; great-grandchildren Luke West, Levi West, Abigail West, Anna West, Isaac West, Ella Fields Cooper Fields, Baby Fields, Layne Metcalf, Kinlee Rose Mardis; siblings Nancy Robertson of Palmetto, James Brown of Wedowee, AL, Cloyce Brown and wife Charlotte of Buchanan, GA, Jean Wilkes and husband Lamar of Daytona Beach, FL, Donnie Parish and wife Anita of Bristol, FL. Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Friday, February 1, 2019 at Bevis Funeral Home Chapel. Family will receive friends following the service at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Breast Cancer Research. Susie Mozolic of Bevis Funeral Home is assisting the family with their arrangements. (www.bevisfh.com 850-385-2193)

Previous Events

Memorial Celebration

FEB 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bevis Funeral Home & Crematory
200 John Knox Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 385-2193

Tribute Wall

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“ Mike & Mary West, Lyndsey & Andrew Cornell family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Bessie M. Ballew.



Mike & Mary West, Lyndsey & Andrew Cornell family -
January 31, 2019 at 08:54 AM

DJ

“ So many cherished memories of both our friends, Bess and Guerry. For about 25 years we made memories with our dear friends. They stayed in our home many times during visits to Georgia as we had also stayed in their's both in Georgia and Florida. We played Mexican Train Dominoes as a highlight of our visit together in the later years but had earlier shared Southern Gospel Concerts and worship services. My personal visits with Bess, as being ladies, included sitting with a cup of coffee with candles burning and sometimes a fire to cast a wonderful feeling of warmth to add to the greater warmth of our love for each other. We shared the ups and downs of life and cried with each other and prayed for each other knowing that God would always see us through. I am so thankful for the time we had to share our journey in life. Bess was trustworthy and loyal to the friendship she offered so many years ago. I hold her dear in my heart until we meet, again. Our love and sympathy reaches out with prayer for the family. Damaris and David Jordan.



Damaris Jordan - January 30, 2019 at 04:42 PM

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“ Our deepest sympathy to your family in the passing of Bess. She and Guerry were dear friends of ours while they lived in Griffin, GA. We went together to many gospel concerts, restaurants and we're members of the same church. We have many fond memories with them and know one day we will see them again in Heaven. May the family find comfort in knowing where Bess is today.



James & Peggy Varnadoe - January 30, 2019 at 12:00 PM