



Ms Jana Shaver Cranford

August 14, 1964 - April 3, 2025

With much sadness in our hearts, we announce the death of our beloved mother, grandmother, sister and friend, Ms. “Jana” Jennie Lue Shaver Cranford. Jana, age 60, currently of Arab, Alabama passed away during the early morning hours on Thursday, April 3, 2025. Jana, a former resident of the Brocks Chapel / Union Grove community was born August 14, 1964. She was the youngest of seven children born to J.C. Shaver and Earlene Mathis Shaver. Jana worked in the extended day program with Arab City School System as well as in the food industry with Southern Hickory BBQ. She was the family caregiver and was always there when needed. Jana was a member of Lifegate Baptist Church.

Jana loved her family with all her heart. Her children and grandson are what kept her motivated to keep fighting during her illness. She was also a breast cancer survivor and supported all forms of cancer awareness events and function. She especially supported the Pink Pumpkin Run in Guntersville, AL as it is a fundraiser for the Mammography Assistance Program at Marshall Medical Center North and South. Jana loved being outdoors and surrounded by nature and was also a huge fan of the musical group Alabama.

Jana leaves behind a loving family to cherish their memories which includes her mother, Earlene Mathis Shaver; son, Jeremy Cranford; daughter, Heather Cranford Smith (Rodney); grandson, Blaine Smith; brothers, Dennis Shaver

and Neal Shaver (Rosa); sisters, Sally Mawhirter (Steve), Deborah Armistead (Andy), Sue Harvell (David); and children's father, Alan Cranford.

Jana is predeceased by her father, J.C. Shaver, and her sister, Dalphene Shaver Smith (DOD 2022).

Services for Jana will be Saturday, April 5, 2025 at Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel. Visitation will be from 10:00am until 12:00pm. The funeral service, officiated by Brother Jeff Mims, will immediately follow the visitation beginning at 12:00. Burial will be in Gilliam Spring's Cemetery. Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel is entrusted with arrangements.

The family will accept flowers but if anyone is so inclined a contribution to the Glioblastoma Foundation would be welcomed.

Cemetery Details

Gilliam Springs Cemetery

1351 North Brindlee Mountain Parkway
Arab, AL 35016

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 5. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel
1340 North Main Street
Arab, AL 35016
(256) 586-4100

Funeral Service

APR 5. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Ms Jana Shaver Cranford.*



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Ms Jana Shaver Cranford.

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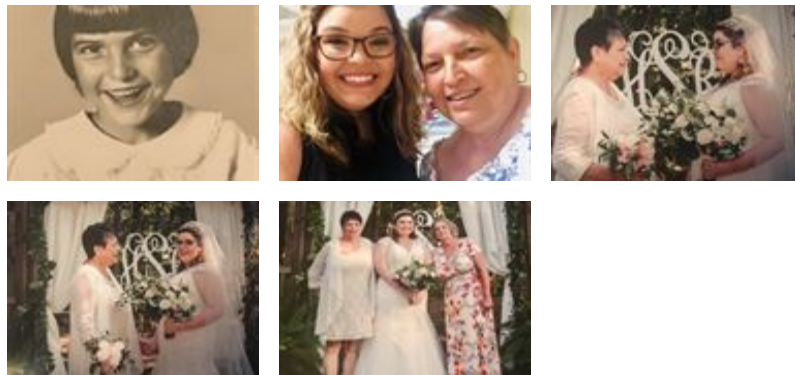


“ Susan C. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ms Jana Shaver Cranford.

Susan C. - April 04, 2025 at 12:25 PM



“ 156 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel - April 04, 2025 at 11:23 AM

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“ *HYCO Alabama LLC purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Ms Jana Shaver Cranford.*



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“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Ms Jana Shaver Cranford.*



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