



Martha Mae Griggs

December 3, 1942 - January 1, 2025

Ms. Martha Mae Griggs, of the Oleander community of Union Grove, Alabama passed away at her home Wednesday, January 1, 2025 at the age of 82. Martha was born December 3, 1942 in Marshall County, AL. Her parents were William Barrett and Betsy King Barrett. She was married to James “Jim” Griggs who passed away in 2017 (married 59 ½ years). Martha was an active member of Oleander Methodist Church.

Martha was petite physically, but her heart was huge. Not only did Martha care for her family, but she cared for everyone. In her earlier years she frequently volunteered at local schools helping in any way she could. She babysat young children while their parents worked and could be found most Friday evenings at the nursing homes visiting and playing bingo with the residents.

Martha has always felt the need to encourage and support those around her. One way she showed her compassion and encouragement was by sending greeting cards. Martha loved being outside gardening, maintaining her flower beds, feeding birds, and enjoying her many pets. She willingly accepted the responsibility of maintaining the cemetery and grounds of Oleander Church, which she loved. She spent her leisure time providing for her family and reading her Bible. She was a woman of strong faith and believed in the power of prayer. She spent several hours a day reading her Bible and praying for others. Martha will be missed by all.

Family members cherishing their memories of Martha include her sons, William Lee Griggs (Denise) and J. Griggs; daughters, Cathy McGaha (T.J.) and Sharon Thrasher; grandchildren, Jessica Moore (Ricky), Chris Griggs (Ashley), Chris Powers (Toni), Paul Powers (Sunda); Caleb Thrasher (Kimberly); ten great grandchildren; and brothers, Clyde Barrett (Charlotte) and Buddy Barrett.

Martha is preceded in death by her husband, Jim Griggs; parents, William and Betsy Barrett; grandson, Jeremy Griggs; and several brothers and sisters.

Funeral services for Martha will be Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel. Visitation will be from 12:00 noon until 2:00 p.m at which time the funeral service will begin. Brother Gary McRae will officiate. Martha will be laid to rest in the Oleander Cemetery. The pallbearers are: Caleb Thrasher, William Griggs, Dakota Bonner, Paul Powers, Chris Powers, Kayden Reaves and Lee McBride. Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel, directing

Cemetery Details

Oleander Cemetery

253 Oleander Church Road
Union Grove, AL 35175

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 7. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

JAN 7. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Arab, AL 35016
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Tribute Wall



“ Sharon, your mother was a wonderful woman. I appreciated her friendship. Sorry I didn't know of her death. Prayers for you all!

Farrell Walker

Farrell Walker - March 02, 2025 at 10:19 AM



“ My heartfelt condolences to the family.

Chastity Saint Dawson - January 14, 2025 at 11:40 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Martha Mae Griggs.

January 07, 2025 at 08:34 AM



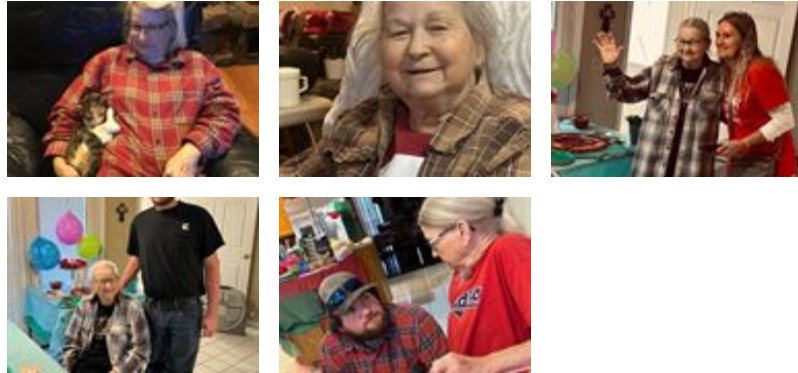
“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Martha Mae Griggs.



January 07, 2025 at 08:34 AM



“ 56 files added to the album Life Tributes



Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel - January 06, 2025 at 01:49 PM



“ Ken & Teresa Medukas purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Martha Mae Griggs.



Ken & Teresa Medukas - January 06, 2025 at 10:45 AM



“ Jenn Student planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Martha Mae Griggs.

Jenn Student - January 06, 2025 at 09:01 AM

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“ Jenn Student purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Martha Mae Griggs.



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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Martha Mae Griggs.

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“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Martha Mae Griggs.



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