



Melba Bryant Pugh

May 30, 1927 - May 21, 2019

Melba Bryant Pugh, 91, died Tuesday, May 21, 2019, at the North Mississippi Medical Center Pontotoc Nursing Home. She was born May 30, 1927, in Pontotoc County to Wellard C. and Bonnie Sue Vaughn Bryant. She was a member of First Baptist Church in New Albany and had been since she was 17 years old. She was a member of Kathryn Dye's Sunday School class. She was a faithful Christian who loved the Lord and her family. Her father was a Baptist preacher and founded 4 churches. She had served as caretaker at Haven Hills Personal Care Home. She visited each patient every day. She loved the patients and they loved her. She was affectionately known as 'The Angel of Haven Hills'. She was a retired housewife and co-owner of Pugh Tackle Co. She enjoyed her work and especially working with the other employees. She was a great influence on hundreds of young people.

She is survived by 2 daughters: Cindy Mitchell (Randy) of New Albany and Cissy Cox (Bill) of Blue Mountain; 1 son: Joe Pugh (Denise) of New Albany; 5 grandchildren: Josh Smyrl, Millie Mitchell, Jed Mitchell, Courtney Pugh, and Kristen Cox; and 11 great-grandchildren: Presley Kate Mitchell, Kera Beth Mitchell, Hayes Hemby, Macon Hemby, McKinley Pugh, Colton Pugh, Braden Pugh, Elisha Smyrl, Katie Smyrl, Scarlett Cheatwood, and Jemma Cheatwood.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband: Tunney Pugh; and 9 brothers and sisters.

Bro. Tom Sumrall will officiate.

For online condolences please visit <http://www.unitedfuneralservice.com>.

Cemetery

Events

New Albany City Cemetery **MAY**

104 Hwy. 15 North

New Albany, MS,

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Visitation

05:00PM - 08:00PM

United Funeral Service, Inc.

700 Highway 15 South, New Albany, MS, US, 38652

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Service

11:00AM

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Comments



“ I'd like to share a story about the time my aunt Melba drove to Fatty Russell's drive-in and ordered 5 pup dogs (instead of corn dogs) to go. Keep in mind that Tunney had some mighty fine bird dogs one of which was affectionately called 'pup dog' at home.

She and Uncle Tunney were very special to me in my growing up years when I would visit New Albany from my home in Memphis. Aunt Melba was always so accommodating and pleasant to be around and her cooking skills were legendary. I always got a kick out of her trying to get a response out of Uncle Tunney when he was engaged in watching something) on TV.

I will always miss her beautiful smile and inimitable laugh!

Chuck Pugh - June 02, 2019 at 07:45 PM



“ To my dear cousins: I wish that I could be with you all now at this terrible time. Melba was an important person in mine and Jack's lives. We loved her dearly and just the fact that she was in our lives is a blessing to us.

We know that you all will forever keep her in your hearts. That's the way it is when we lose our mother. However, pls remember that she is not "lost" to you because you know where she is.

I hope that one day we can get together but until then pls know that I will always love y'all.

Gay

Kiri for Gay Moore - May 23, 2019 at 12:56 PM



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Kiri for Gay Moore - May 22, 2019 at 07:38 PM



“ Sweet, sweet Aunt Melba--so many happy memories of days gone by with Uncle Tunney and Aunt Melba for all the Moore children (Mom Gay Mathis Moore)-- precious times spent with Cissy, Joe, and Cindy, Aunt Melba presiding and smiling and laughing over all. She would let us stay up way past our bedtime watching movies or playing! Thank you Aunt Melba for loving and taking care of us all, and especially for your extraordinary care of our beloved grandmother Carmen Mathis ("Tata") over so many years. We love you and hope you will now be a peace and again with your Tunney.

Pugh family, please know we are thinking of you and being there in spirit--and in deepest sympathy for your loss of such a wonderful mother and person.

Love,

Carla, Kiri, Charley, and Jenny

Carla Moore - May 22, 2019 at 01:50 PM



“ So sorry to hear this Cindy..Love you and prayers going up for your family.
Debbie Berryhill

Debbie - May 22, 2019 at 12:22 PM