



Shelby Jean Thornton

December 8, 1936 - June 8, 2021

Shelby Jean Thornton born December 8th, 1936. The Lord called her home Tuesday June 8th, 2021. She is preceded in death by her beloved husband Eugene Thornton And Granddaughter Debra Essex. Survived by her daughter Sandra Essex (Tom); Granddaughter Lisa White (Rok); Son Ken Thornton (Hassie); Grandson Austin Thornton; Sisters Jackie Brown, Peggy Cook, Joyce Spencer (deceased); Brothers Donnie Allen (Chela) Harry Allen (deceased); A multitude of nieces, nephews and extended family members. She cherished being an Air Force wife with the challenges that entailed. Shelby was an outgoing, loving person who never met a stranger. She loved her family as well as her church family. She always treated others as she wanted to be treated. She will be greatly missed.

Cemetery Details

Valley Creek Cemetery

Hueytown, AL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 12. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

McCalla Memorial Funeral Home
4780 Letson Farms Parkway
P.O. Box 629
McCalla, AL 35111
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Funeral Service

JUN 12. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Shelby and I have been friends since she worked at the Bell Cafe in Columbus, MS. Then we met Eugene and Robert, became military wives and started traveling. We met up again in Germany and then in Myrtle Beach, S. C. Shelby always had a smile and kind words for everyone and would help anyone she could. Jackie, Sandra and Kenny, we are sorry for your loss but we know she is in a better place. We will see her again.*

Sarah and Robert Raines

Robert and Sarah Raines - June 13, 2021 at 09:20 PM

AW

“ *Ashley Waters lit a candle in memory of Shelby Jean Thornton*



Ashley Waters - June 11, 2021 at 04:33 PM

JP

“ *Hassie & Ken- Praying for peace and comfort during this difficult time. Much love and hugs to both of you.*
Joy Parker



Joy Parker - June 11, 2021 at 04:27 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



McCalla Memorial Funeral Home - Traditions - June 11, 2021 at 09:23 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Shelby Jean Thornton.



June 11, 2021 at 12:14 AM



“ 26 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



McCalla Memorial Funeral Home - Traditions - June 10, 2021 at 03:28 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Shelby Jean Thornton.*



June 10, 2021 at 11:38 AM



“ *Loved Mrs. Shelby so much. She gave the best hugs and kisses.*

JANET - June 10, 2021 at 10:34 AM



“ *Ken
We are so sorry to hear about your mom. Plan to see you Saturday to celebrate her life!
Dara*

Richard and Dara Schmidt - June 09, 2021 at 07:11 PM



“ *22 files added to the album Memories Album*



Lisa White - June 09, 2021 at 04:36 PM