



MS. LAURA LEIGH MERRITT

October 13, 1965 - July 20, 2023

Funeral services for Ms. Laura Leigh Merritt will be held at 10 AM Monday, July 24, 2023, at John E. Stephens Chapel with Rev. Dwight Faulkenberry officiating. Interment will be in the Ocobla Cemetery. Visitation will be 4-6 PM Sunday, July 23, 2023, at John E. Stephens Chapel.

Ms. Merritt, 57, passed away Thursday, July 20, 2023, at Neshoba General Hospital in Philadelphia, MS. She lived most of her life in Neshoba County where she worked at Neshoba Central Schools. She was a member of Ocobla Baptist Church and, her hobby was spending time with her grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Paul James Thomas Jr. and Audrey Sullivan Hill.

Survivors include daughters, Naomi Merritt (Jacob Howard) of Philadelphia, Anna Renfrow (Tyler) of Union; sister, Karen Jolly of Pelahatchie; (2) grandchildren, Sierra and Camden; stepfather, Clyde Hill of TN.

Pallbearers: Tyler Renfrow, Jacob Howard, Donald Renfrow, Trent Renfrow, Jacob Strebeck, Ray Cook.

Cemetery Details

Ocobla Baptist Cemetery

Philadelphia, MS

Tribute Wall

VB

“ I first met Laura when she first started at neshoba central. She was this sweet young lady that loved to smile and laugh. She was always happy and treated everyone the way she wished too be treated. She was a joy to know. Rest my sweet girl rest.

Velma barfield - July 29, 2023 at 11:02 AM

JB

“ Laura was an inspiration to us all in so many ways. She was a big part of the “glue” that holds Neshoba Central Elementary together. So blessed to have known her. Deepest sympathy to her family. 💕



Jo Benson

Josephine Benson - July 26, 2023 at 03:13 PM

FG

“ So very sorry for your loss!! Laura was very precious person we loved her!! Always had a smile for you!! Rest in peace Laura we are going to miss you!!



Faye Gray - July 24, 2023 at 04:07 PM



“ Springtime Wishes was purchased for the family of MS. LAURA LEIGH MERRITT.



July 22, 2023 at 07:54 PM

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“ Judy Robertson NCSD Bus Driver Bus 19 lit a candle in memory of MS. LAURA LEIGH MERRITT



Judy Robertson NCSD bus driver bus 19 - July 22, 2023 at 07:37 AM

CH

“ Ms. Laura embraced me as one of her own and I will forever be grateful for the love that was shown towards me and my boys! She always kept a smile on her face. She will be truly missed. May God be with this family!

Carmen Hardy - July 21, 2023 at 07:59 PM

AG

“ So sorry for the loss of your mother. I know the pain you are feeling. I hope you find comfort in the days ahead. □
Love,
Angel & Anderson gray

Angel Gray - July 21, 2023 at 03:31 PM

GG

“ Laura was one of the kindest people I have ever known. Her sweet soul always shone bright.

Gail Gray - July 20, 2023 at 01:35 PM