



Mary Dale Herring Sims

August 1, 1948 - December 28, 2020

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Mary Sims, 72, passed away peacefully and surrounded by family members on Monday, Dec. 28, 2020. A memorial service will be held Thursday, December 31, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. at Coleman Funeral Home (601 Commerce Parkway, Oxford, MS). Interment will be at Twin Oaks Memorial Gardens (290 Goodman Road East, Southaven, MS). Bro. Joel Strahan will officiate. Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford is in charge of arrangements.

Ms. Mary was born to James Oliver and Iva Sue Price Herring. She was truly committed to her family and will be intensely missed by them. Ms. Mary was a member of Bay Springs Baptist Church of Oxford, MS.

Ms. Mary grew up and attended school in Memphis, TN. She worked in a factory and in the dry cleaning industry. She was an avid worker and leaves her family a legacy of hard work, strength, and independence.

Family was very important to her. As a single mom, she had a very close relationship with her children. She raised her children to know the importance of school and church. Her faith went much deeper than church attendance. Her life was guided by a personal relationship with God. She talked to him daily, and it was important to her that her children did the same. After her

children left home, she moved to Oxford, MS to be closer to her mother and sister, because to her, families are forever. Her grandchildren remember fun times at her house for holidays, especially their football games. Mary made sure anytime they visited, she would send them home with a hotdog.

Mary had a deep love of animals, and would have loved to be able to adopt any dog or cat that wandered to her house. She also had quite a green thumb. If she saw a bush or tree sprout on the roadside, she was likely to stop and dig it up and take it home. Her yard was filled with plants and trees that she had grown.

Ms. Mary leaves her family a legacy of never giving up or letting anyone else define you.

Ms. Mary is survived by her daughter, Susan Kimmett; two sons, Billy Ronald (Robin) Sims and Jonathan Shea Sims; one sister, Sherryl (Hershell) Pruitt; seven grandchildren; and two great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James Oliver Herring and Iva Sue Herring; one son, James Richard Sims; one sister, Sylvia Herring Clark; and one brother, Ronnie Oliver Herring.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to the Oxford Lafayette Humane Society (P.O. Box 1674 Oxford, MS 38655) or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (P.O. Box 1893 Memphis, TN 38101-9950).

Please leave online condolences on the Tribute Wall at www.colemanfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

DEC 31. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Ms.Mary will be greatly missed. She was so much fun to be around.*

Karen Scott - December 29, 2020 at 08:32 PM

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“ *So sorry to hear of Mary's passing. She was a great aunt. Always managed to cheer me up when I was down. You could talk to her about anything. Deepest sympathies to my cousins. Prayers for you all..*

Vickie Taylor - December 29, 2020 at 02:02 PM



“ *European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mary Dale Herring Sims.*



December 29, 2020 at 09:43 AM