



## Rena Garrison Boucher

September 1, 1946 - May 28, 2022

Coleman Funeral Home of Olive Branch

Rena Garrison Boucher, 75, of Memphis, TN passed away peacefully on May 28, 2022 in Collierville, TN. The family will receive friends on Thursday, June 2, 2022, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at LaBelle Haven Baptist Church with the funeral service following at 2:00 p.m. Bro. Dean Stewart will officiate.

Interment will take place on Friday, June 3, 2022, at 11:00 at Everett's Chapel Cemetery in McKenzie, TN.

Rena was born in Gleason, TN and was employed for over 40 years at Holiday Press in Memphis. She was a member of LaBelle Haven Baptist Church for 8 years where she sang in the choir. She enjoyed traveling and listening to gospel music. Rena enjoyed talking to her close friends on the telephone.

Rena is survived by her husband of 56 years, Wallace Eugene Boucher of Memphis; sisters, Brenda Jean Hutson (Richard) of Conyers, GA, Sheri Reynolds (Al) of Vermontville, MI, Jeannie G. Neal of Texas, Carolyn Garrison of Texas and Melinda G. Ethridge (Harland) of Arkansas; brothers, Ben Page of Vermontville, John Page (Theresa) of Grand Ledge, MI, Lanny Page (Margaret) of Drummond, TN and Edsel B. Page, Jr.

Rena was preceded in death by parents, Mildred and Eugene Garrison; sister, Michelle Garrison, Kristi Tremble, Peggy Dolittle and brother, John Warren Garrison.

In lieu of traditional flowers, memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at [www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org).

Online condolences may be left on her tribute wall at [www.colemanfuneralhome.com](http://www.colemanfuneralhome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Everett's Chapel Cemetery

Blaylock Store Road  
McKenzie, TN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

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

LaBelle Haven Baptist Church  
4800 Highway 305 N  
Olive Branch, MS 38654

## Funeral Service

JUN 2. 2:00 PM (CT)

LaBelle Haven Baptist Church  
4800 Highway 305 N  
Olive Branch, MS 38654

## Committal

JUN 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

Everett's Chapel Cemetery  
Blaylock Store Road  
McKenzie, TN



# Tribute Wall



“ Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford created a Tribute Video in memory of Rena Garrison Boucher



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**Coleman Funeral Home** - June 01, 2022 at 10:34 AM



“ Mrs. Rena always had a smile on her face when I saw her working at A S Hospitality (Holiday Press). Her smile will be missed.

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**Jonathan Wales** - June 01, 2022 at 03:42 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rena Garrison Boucher.



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June 01, 2022 at 07:18 AM



“ 35 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Coleman Funeral Home** - May 31, 2022 at 05:28 PM

JS

“ My name is Jim Schroder. I have known Rena and Gene over 40 plus years. We met through Best Western Hotel Conventions.

*I first met Rena over the phone as the representative for her company when I ordered products for our hotel. Our family owned a large Best Western Hotel and Restaurant in Oceanside, California. The first time we met in person I felt I had known Rena my whole life. We always sat together at the convention dinners and we, Rena, Gene and myself shared the years memories.*

*One of the best trips to convention I believe was in the year 2,000 when the convention was held in Honolulu, Hawaii. Gene and Rena flew in a couple days early as I did too. I rented a car and drove Rena and Gene completely around the island of Oahu stopping frequently to take in every thing we could. We had lunch at the North Shore. We had a blast. Rena was laughing and smiling the whole day. She was fulfilling a dream of hers to visit Hawaii.*

*During the convention one evening for fun, a huge group of hundreds went to a local park near the hotels in Honolulu and had the biggest super soaker squirt gun fight ever. All in fun. Rena and Gene were right in the middle of all the fun. We kept refilling her squirt gun during the early evening. I have never seen anyone laugh and have so much fun , all in jest, as she did that night.*

*I have been very fortunate to travel to 176 countries and always made sure that Rena received lots of photos from each trip to follow along the travels too.*

*Every September 1 I called to wish Rena another "Happy 39th Birthday" celebration. Rena liked to talk sometimes for hours. We always had a lot to catch up on.*

*I was so sorry to hear the news of her passing. The World has definitely lost a Great Lady and Friend to all of us, a wife to Gene and to all her family.*

*Rena was a Class Act.. The Real Thing. Rena had a heart as big as the world.*

*Rena will be missed by all of us. She is free of all her medical issues.*

*Thank you for your Friendship all these years..*

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**Jim Schroder** - May 31, 2022 at 03:06 PM

LC

“*My name is Leasa Cathey. I met Rena in 2018, at my first and only Aylor reunion to date. She was the sweetest person. She had a wealth of knowledge about the family. It was such a joy to listen to her stories. She just loved my sister, Sarah. My sister couldnt say enough about Rena, she adored her. I was really looking forward to seeing Rena this September at the upcoming reunion to hear more family stories. Sending my love and prayers to the family. God speed Rena, you will be missed.*

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**Leasa Cathey** - May 31, 2022 at 01:17 PM

DH

“ I met Rena and Gene over 40 years ago. My Mom and I lived across the hall from them at Auburn Oaks apartments in Memphis. My Mom was gone a lot and they took me under their wing. Rena was always very caring and loving. They both kept in touch over the years. After I grew up and got married and had kids of my own they moved a couple of streets over from where we rented my in laws house. I remember how it snowed so hard one week and we needed to go to the grocery store. They kept my kids so we could go. The snow and ice made the roads a plane of ice.

I also remember them bringing gifts for the kids at Christmas. One of the gifts was a tub of slime! I bet she laughed buying that one! Needless to say the kids didn't get to keep that one.

We went to auctions together and church. My Mom became terminally ill later on and we all started going to Trinity Baptist church together.

I am so grateful for that because it brought my Mom back to church.

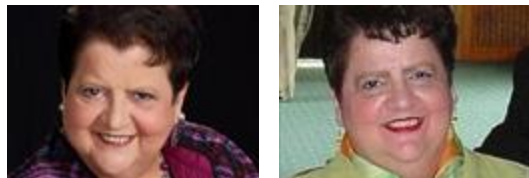
Gene helped my husband get a job at a Great Dane trailers. We were young and I had gotten pregnant before we got married. It was a life saver for us. My husband just retired from there after 45 years. I cannot say enough good things about the both of them. They are both amazing people to know and I'm blessed because I had them in my life. Gene you are in my thoughts and prayers. I love you very much. You have always been amazing husband to Rena. You gave your all to her. And I could always see the love between you two. Rena was one amazingly courageous and hardworking woman. I'm so glad she was in my life. And I'm glad she can now be free of all her medical issues. I love you Rena! Thank you for all you did for me.

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Debbie Holliday - May 31, 2022 at 08:22 AM

BM

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



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**Belinda McCollum** - May 30, 2022 at 06:46 PM

MP

“ *I first met the very special lady Rena at the Best Western McKenzie in McKenzie, TN. The year was 2014 and she was here for the Page Reunion. She was a regular guest for the next 6 years before COVID. She always had something sweet to say and was very friendly. I enjoyed her visits immensely. She was sunshine every time she visited. WE will miss her very much. We love you Gene! God give you peace and comfort.*

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**Marjorie Potts** - May 30, 2022 at 03:23 PM

SO

“ I first met Rena August, 1993 when I started new job. She asked me if I were her replacement! She did this with all new hires! A truly remarkable, talented woman. I came to call her Kitten, she reminded me of a gentle purrrring kitten. I think I clicked right away with Rena being she was a polio survivor as was my mother. I knew what her childhood and growing years were all about. I felt very close to Rena always. One thing for sure I admired her work ethic, stamina, and the fact she never complained about or let you know she was not up to par on some days! She always pushed right on through! Rena had met through conventions so many people her friendship list probably could never be measured! She was so knowledgeable in her job one couldn't help but admire her intelligence of product line! Rena not only had customer friendships but those that she worked along side with daily! She had a caring heart for others, she loved family many of our family were her family as well. As the years went on and her body started declining she held her head high and pursued on until her retirement.( she was even asked to come back !) Rena was a Class Act a super star and number 1 in so many areas! I for one as many of her other friends will miss her big as life smile, bright eyes and hair that was always in place, her love for roses, angels, the color red, Elvis and cardinals. I could go on and on she was a loyal and forever friend. I will miss you Kitten.

With Loving Sympathy,  
Your Friend,  
Sally O'B



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Sally O'brien - May 29, 2022 at 09:58 PM

SO

“ *Sally O'brien lit a candle in memory of Rena Garrison Boucher*



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**Sally O'brien** - May 29, 2022 at 09:38 PM

AK

“ *Avery & Sharon King lit a candle in memory of Rena Garrison Boucher*



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**Avery & Sharon King** - May 28, 2022 at 07:29 PM