



## Edna Earle Crews

August 15, 1937 - September 27, 2025

Edna Earl Crews, 88, went to be with the Lord on September 27, 2025 at Copiah County Medical Center. Visitation will be 4pm-8pm Thursday at Stringer Family Funeral Home in Crystal Springs. The service will be 1pm Friday at Stringer Family Chapel with burial at Poplar Springs Cemetery.

Mrs. Crews was born on August 15, 1937 in Winona, MS to the late Jacob Earl and Annie Patridge O'Neil and would establish her permanent home in Crystal Springs. She was a graduate of Mississippi College and was an educator for 34 years. After teaching for the Jackson Public School District, Mrs. Crews was an English Professor at Copiah Lincoln Community College from 1972-2002. During her tenure at Copiah-Lincoln Community College she was recognized in 1973 as faculty advisor for the Microcosm Campus Literary Magazine and with an Annual Dedication in 1986. She was listed in the Literary Hall of Fame in 1985 and 2010 and Outstanding Faculty and Staff in 1994. In 2013, she was listed in Foundation Hall of Fame in along with her husband the late Raiford Crews. She was blessed with an amazing knowledge of flowers and loved gardening. Her love for literature was also shown in the poetry she enjoyed writing.

Edna Earle Crews was preceded in death by her father (Jacob Earl Patridge), her mother (Annie Patridge O'Neil) and her husband the late Raiford Glen Crews, I. She is survived by her children, Raiford Glen Crews, II (Melody) of

Crystal Springs; daughter, Cynthia Earle Crews-Bailey of Crystal Springs; grandchildren, Kara Mackenzie Bailey of Florida, Karley Beth Bailey of Crystal Springs, Kellie Grayce Bailey of Florida, Landon Glen Crews of Crystal Springs and Kristen Elise Johnson of Crystal Springs; and sister-in-law, Becky Richardson of Flora.

Mrs. Crews' Family would like to thank and show appreciation for her caregivers: Pat Ford, E'Kya Bryant, Angela Kendrick, Josh Roland and the caregivers from Home Instead: Lynn Kees, Lilly Robinson, Tonya Bledsoe, Kristy Terrell and Barbara Jackson.

Watch the service here: [https://youtube.com/live/CzCg0PXkp\\_w?feature=share](https://youtube.com/live/CzCg0PXkp_w?feature=share)

# Cemetery Details

## Poplar Springs Cemetery

Harmony Road  
Crystal Springs, MS 39059

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 2. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Stringer Family Funeral Home - Crystal Springs  
PO Box 431  
26141 Hwy 27  
Crystal Springs, MS 39059  
(601) 892-1521  
stringerfuneral@bellsouth.net

## Funeral Service

OCT 3. 1:00 PM (CT)

Stringer Family Funeral Home - Crystal Springs  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Stringer Family Funeral Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Edna Earle Crews*



Stringer Family Funeral Service - October 02, 2025 at 12:17 PM



*Lovely photos to represent her life*

Dorothy A.Day - October 04, 2025 at 05:43 PM

PT

*She was a very fine woman. Edna Earle had a lovely, kind, generous and sweet spirit. Rest in peace now, my friend.*

Phyllis K Taylor - March 06 at 07:41 PM



“ *19 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Stringer Family Funeral Service - October 02, 2025 at 12:09 PM

BN

“ I extend my sympathy to the family in Mrs. Crews' passing. I was a student of hers at CoLin (1969-1971) and I loved this precious lady! She was not only an excellent English teacher but a first class lady as well. May God's peace and comfort be with her family at this time and in the days to come.

Barry Newell  
Brookhaven MS

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Barry Newell - September 29, 2025 at 03:53 PM

GS

My thoughts are with you all. She was my professor at Co-Lin and her teaching practices had a large impact on what I did when I became a teacher.

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G Sullivan - September 29, 2025 at 08:47 PM

KC

Mrs. Edna Earle was an inspiration to all. She taught me at Co-Lin 1973 and i enjoyed knowing her later on at First Baptist Church. Praying for your family now. Such a sweet lady. Karen Brooks Clement

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karen clement - October 01, 2025 at 03:54 PM

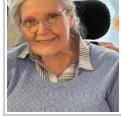
LR

My thoughts are with you all. I was one of the caregivers for Mrs. Crews. She was a humble person, very nice. I took her to First Baptist Church on Thursday for Golden Days. They would play a game called "Chicken Foot". Lunch was served. Around October-November, we would go to Co-Lin for 50 Plus Celebration for a program and lunch. She mentioned that her mom would make fried okra and potatoes and how much she enjoyed it. Guess what, she had me making the same thing several times. She will be missed.

Lillie Robinson  
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Lillie Robinson - October 01, 2025 at 07:57 PM



*Oh, how special she was to! She believed in me, saw things in me that I did not see when I became her 17 yo college student. I babysat Gordon while she and Mr. Creed were doing continuing education courses.. sitars layer,I had the joy of teaching her daughter Cindy. She invited me to be a part of the Copiah writers' group and was so loving in suggesting edits or asking for more detail. My mentor, my teacher, my grey, the world was so much better because you were in it.*

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**Dorothy A.Day** - October 04, 2025 at 05:52 PM