



Lana Goolsby

April 2, 1932 - August 3, 2022

Lana Eldridge Goolsby passed away on August 3rd, 2022. She was born in DeKalb Mississippi on April 2, 1932. “Lannie” as she was affectionately called, was the first of ten children. She was a mother figure to her younger brothers and sisters and to many who loved her dearly. Some people adopt pets. Miz Lana adopted people. She was an open book to everyone she met and her heartfelt compassion for the suffering of others, helped so many people who were lost in the wilderness, find their way back to the Lord. Lana was the quintessential matriarch and she considered her family, her entire community.

Lana was a long time member of Van Winkle Baptist Church in Jackson, MS., and was a member of First Baptist Church of Crystal Springs, where she taught Sunday school for many years. Lana and Johnny were also the original owners of the Wisteria Inn Bed and Breakfast on the square in Crystal Springs.

She is preceded in passing by her loving parents, Grady and Lucille Eldridge, three sisters, Georgia Lou “Polly” Kirkland, Catherine “Kitty” Brock, Patsy Eldridge Hill Overton, two brothers, Grady “Buddy” Eldridge Jr., Kenneth “Bo” Eldridge, and step sons Lewis Clarke Goolsby and Clifford Gary Goolsby.

Lana is survived by her loving husband Johnny Otho Goolsby Jr., three sons Deb Lee Riley Jr. and wife Shelley of Crystal Springs, MS., Timothy Paul Riley

and wife Cindy of Byram, MS., Thomas Mark Riley, step sons Johnny Otho “Tripp” Goolsby III, Russell Jeffrey Goolsby and his wife Crystal of Tampa, FL., daughter Grace Lucielle Riley-Harris and her husband Daren of Crystal Springs, MS., three sisters Gladys Smith and her husband Brad of Wesson, MS., Cheryl Sparkman and her husband Al of Scooba, MS., and Linda Marsh of Garland, TX., brother Martin Eldridge and his wife Terry of DeKalb, MS., twelve grandchildren and eleven great grandchildren.

You may watch the service here: <https://youtu.be/VW99kxYBJ6w>

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 8. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Stringer Family Funeral Home - Crystal Springs
PO Box 431
26141 Hwy 27
Crystal Springs, MS 39059
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Funeral Service

AUG 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tim Riley - August 06, 2022 at 11:37 PM

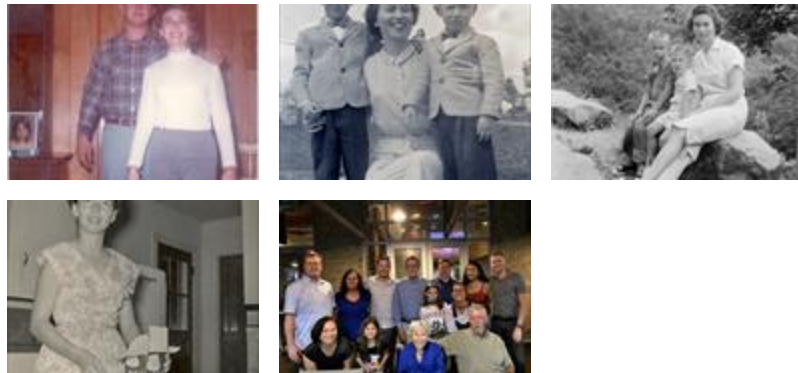


“ My condolences to you and your family, Johnny. Lana was a beautiful lady inside & out!

Mary Ann Badash - August 06, 2022 at 05:12 PM



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Tim Riley - August 05, 2022 at 09:27 PM

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“ Johnny & Family, I was so blessed to have met the wonderful Lana. I will always remember the wonderful meal she and you prepared and it was my very first time eating Lana's butter beans! She was such a wonderful lovely lady and I am saddened for your loss. May God Bless You and your family. Del Avelar

Delbert Avelar - August 05, 2022 at 09:17 PM

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“ I'll always remember Lana as a sweet Christian lady. She was faithful to our church and always had a smile on her face. Lana was ideally suited to be part of Mississippi's hospitality industry. She was a gracious, welcoming person by nature, and knew how to make her guests feel at home at her place of business, the Wisteria Inn. She loved her family, and I extend my sincere sympathy to them.

Jim Kitchens - August 05, 2022 at 11:16 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Lana Goolsby.



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“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Lana Goolsby.



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