



Willa Frances Gatlin

March 18, 1934 - May 23, 2024

Willa Frances Gatlin of Goodspring, TN passed away on Thursday, May 23rd, 2024 at Maury Regional Medical Center. She was born in Minor Hill, TN on March 18th, 1934 and was 90 years old.

Frances was a loving mother, and aunt. She loved watching western shows, especially Gunsmoke, going out to eat, listening to gospel music, and going shopping at the mall. She loved to talk on the phone with Evelyn in her free time. She enjoyed trail riding in her younger years and she and her husband, Thomas, were some of the first members of the Minor Hill saddle club.

A visitation will be held on Friday, May 24th, 2024 from 4:00pm to 7:00pm at Bennett-May & Pierce Funeral Home and Crematory.

The funeral service will take place on Saturday, May 25th, 2024 at 11:00am in the chapel of Bennett-May & Piece Funeral Home.

The burial will be at Minor Hill Cemetery.

Frances was preceded in death by, her parents, Rick and Gracie McCafferty Burgess, husband, Thomas E. Gatlin, Daughter, Theresa Ann Gatlin, Brothers, Floyd Burgess, Kenneth Burgess, Herbert Burgess, Millard Burgess, and Sister, Hattie Will Foust.

She is survived by,

Her son, Tommy (Paula) Gatlin of Minor Hill, TN

Several nieces and nephews also survive.

Bennett-May & Pierce Funeral Home and Crematory is in charge of the arrangements for Willa Frances Gatlin.

Cemetery Details

Minor Hill Cemetery

13163 Minor Hill Highway
Minor Hill, TN 38473

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **24**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (cst)

Bennett- May & Pierce Funeral Home and Crematory
1910 Elkton Pike
Pulaski, TN 38478

Funeral Service

MAY **25**. 11:00 AM (cst)

Bennett- May & Pierce Funeral Home and Crematory
1910 Elkton Pike
Pulaski, TN 38478

Tribute Wall

DT

“ We go way back to 8th grade, her parents were like parents to me. We used to visit each other often, I still remember grandmas famous deep dish apple pie!! Thanks for all the wonderful memories throughout the years. Rip my dear friend

Dorothy Short Thurlow

dorothy short thurlow - June 01, 2024 at 01:14 PM

GB

“ We have always been close to our great aunt Willa Frances. She was my granddaddy Millard Burgesses sister and I will never forget when I was little she would come by their house sometimes and eat supper with us because we stayed with our grandparents in the afternoon while our parents were at work. I would be so excited when granny would say Willa Frances is coming over for supper tonight and I would have to sit next to her at the table. Most of the time when she came was because granddaddy would be working on her car for her because he was a mechanic. Oh the memories of her at Thanksgiving and Christmas will forever be with us all. We will never forget you Willa Frances. ❤️

Glen Beddingfield - May 24, 2024 at 04:10 PM



“ 37 files added to the album LifeTributes



Bennett - May & Pierce Funeral Home and Crematory - May 24, 2024 at 12:07 PM



“ Charlie And Margaret Norwood lit a candle in memory of Willa Frances Gatlin



Charlie and Margaret Norwood - May 24, 2024 at 09:23 AM



So sorry for your loss. Your mom was a wonderful woman.

Charlie and Margaret Norwood - May 24, 2024 at 09:24 AM



“ Darryl Whitehead lit a candle in memory of Willa Frances Gatlin



Darryl Whitehead - May 24, 2024 at 08:13 AM

EM

“ My dear Aunt Willa Frances was 10 when I was born & was like an older sibling to me as I was growing up. She was a sweet, loving lady who also had backbone and could be feisty if needed, like the other women in our family I must admit! Willa stood up for her beliefs, whether it be in politics, religion, or other matters. She was never afraid of hard work. She and Thomas worked full time jobs then came home to do their farm work & chores. Willa worked at Dr. Jackson's hospital for years, eventually becoming an LPN & assisting in surgeries. Later in life she did private duty nursing, worked ER shifts, and gained a well deserved reputation as a fine nurse. I know there is a joyful family reunion going on in Heaven right now! RIP Sweetie til we all meet again.

Evelyn Marbut - May 24, 2024 at 01:45 AM

BM

“ BETTY MCREE lit a candle in memory of Willa Frances Gatlin



BETTY MCREE - May 24, 2024 at 12:25 AM

TT

“ Theresa Tucker lit a candle in memory of Willa Frances Gatlin



Theresa Tucker - May 23, 2024 at 10:27 PM

ST

“ Tommy so sorry this is a shock you're mom was one of the best sweetest person that ever was I remember when were young I come to your house she was as nice as she could be sorry we're praying for you god bless

Steve& Pat thompson - May 23, 2024 at 10:05 PM

MK

“ Frances was such a sweet, beautiful lady and a very special cousin. I will miss her sweet smile, phone calls, and special cards. I will treasure so many memories. She loved everybody and especially her devoted son, Tommy and wife Paula. Because she loved Jesus and accepted Him as her Savior, we know she is enjoying the beauties of Heaven now with her new Heavenly body.

Mary Anba Kennemer - May 23, 2024 at 05:46 PM

PS

“ Sweetest Lady you could ever met. I always shared my homemade pear preserves with her and every year she would send me a little something for Christmas. Heaven has gained the sweetest Angel. You will be missed by many.
Phyllis Smith

Phyllis Smith - May 23, 2024 at 04:12 PM