



Grace Lizabeth Branson Deal

September 24, 2013

Grace Lizabeth "Liz" Branson Deal, age 58, ascended into our heavenly Father's Kingdom on September 24, 2013. She was a lifelong resident of Rutherford County. Liz graduated from MTSU with a degree in Chemistry and Biology. She also worked in Research and Development as a Chemist at Cumberland Swan. Later in life she was a homemaker and helped take care of her mother and grandchildren. She was also a member of the First United Methodist Church. She was an advocate for Alcoholics Anonymous and touched many lives with her kindhearted ability to understand and accept people without judgment. She was an over comer and a women of faith; she loved her family and friends wholeheartedly.

Liz was preceded in death by her parents, Coil and Lillian King Branson; and granddaughter, Sarah Elizabeth Denny. She is survived by her daughters, Lillian "Jeannie" Holder (William) Denny and Jessica (David) Ridenhour; grandchildren, Gabrielle (Josh) Smotherman , Ryan William Denny, Juston Richardson, Jacob Richardson, Jillian Ashley Richardson, and great-grandchildren, Ezra Smotherman and Lillia Smotherman and brother, James (Connie) Branson.

Chapel service will be 2:00 P.M. Tuesday, October 1, 2013 at Jennings and Ayers Funeral Home with Thad Austin officiating. Burial will follow at Evergreen Cemetery with family and friends serving as pallbearers. Visitation will be Monday, September 30, 2013 from 4:00 P.M. until 8:00 PM at Jennings and Ayers Funeral Home; 820 South Church St., Murfreesboro, TN 37130; 615-893-2422. Please leave condolences at www.jenningsandayers.com.

Donations may be made in Liz's honor to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation or Alcoholics Anonymous.

Book Travel to Services

Comments



“ So sorry for the loss of Lizabeth.
We saw one another as children then many years passed before we saw one another again. There was an instant connection. I could not have enjoyed anyone's company more than I did Liz's. I found the cousin I had not previously known as an adult to be generous, kind, caring, friendly and a delight to be around. We had so much fun during my visit to TN.
I have only good memories of Lizabeth and her mom, my aunt Lillian.
My heart goes out to all the family members (those I've met and those I don't know) who are grieving.
With love and sympathy,
Patti Welter, daughter of Helen Branson Kuczek

Patricia Welter - Sedona, AZ - First Cousin - October 01, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ We are so sorry for the death of Lizabeth. I bet she and Lillian are having a 'big' time in heaven right now. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time. Much love to all of the family.
Larry and Sharron Robeson

Larry and Sharron Robeson - Murfreesboro, TN - Family friend - September 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Looking through all the family photos brings back such wonderful and funny memories. I wished we could have all had more good times together, but I know Granny Liz is having the best time in heaven with all our loved ones that have passed. She is looking upon us with a smiling spirit. I am the oldest of the grandchildren but I know she loved all her grand babies, great grand babies and daughters so much. She had a heart of gold without judgement and I loved that most about her. I only strive to be more like that. She leaves behind a beautiful legacy with the unconditional love she gave to her family and friends. We will miss you Granny Liz :-)

Gabrielle Smotherman - Murfreesboro, TN - Granddaughter - September 30, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ So sorry for your loss.

Janet Barker - Franklin, TN - Friend of family - September 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Jeannie and family,
So very sorry to hear of the loss of your mom. You are all in our prayers. Never met your mother but you all mean the world to me and my family. Please know that you are in our thoughts and we will be praying for you all. God bless.

Love,
Lanee, Tristan and Taryn

Lanee Gwynne - Aurora , CO - daughters friend - September 29, 2013 at 12:00 AM