



Mrs. Melva Lou Bradshaw Dennis

July 26, 1941 - September 6, 2023

Mrs. Melva Lou Bradshaw Dennis, age 82, of Grant, passed away on Wednesday, September 6, 2023, at her home.

She was born on July 26, 1941 to Melvin and Lucille Bradshaw. She was born in Miami, Florida but lived in Grant most all of her life. Mrs. Dennis has owned and operated Dennis Foodland since February of 1972. She enjoyed her flowers, going to church, reading, and anything to do with her family.

Melva Lou is survived by one son, Randy (Kelly) Dennis; daughter, Lorrie (Ronnie) Perkins; one brother, Jimmy (Faye) Bradshaw; one sister, Barbara Johnson; sister-in-law, Judie Parks; grandchildren, Justin Randolph, Josh Perkins, Emily (Brad) Arnold, Zack (Brittany) Perkins, Allie (Richard) Westbury, Ashton Dennis, and Carson Dennis; and great-grandchildren, Maddie Randolph, Beau Porter Perkins, and Mack Westbury. She was preceded in death by her husband, Melvin Dennis; her parents, Melvin and Lucille Bradshaw; a son, Michael "Buddy" Dennis; siblings, Gracie Jane Bradshaw and Joel Thomas Bradshaw; and a host of close aunts, uncles, and dear cousins.

The family respectfully asks for no flowers. In lieu of flowers, please donate St. Jude Children's Hospital.

A graveside service will be held at Free Home Cemetery on Friday, September 8, 2023 at 11 a.m. Dr. Steve Stanfield will officiate.

Arrangements Entrusted to Grant Memorial Chapel.

Cemetery Details

Free Home Cemetery

Free Home Rd.
Grant, AL 35747

Previous Events

Graveside Service

SEP 8. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“Melva Lou, Jimmy and Thomas were more like sister and brothers to me than cousins. I enjoyed many, many delicious meals with them in my teen years that were lovingly prepared by their mom, Lucille. Once when Lucille was learning to drive, I suggested to Melva Lou that if she didn't have the radio so loud it might help her Mom's concentration, Melva Lou said: "Mom likes the radio loud when she's driving." I will always remember and be thankful for those wonderful Thanksgiving dinners Melva Lou and Melvin put together every year for the entire family and friends. Last year I had some serious concerns (COVID/RSV) about traveling to Alabama from Virginia for Melva Lou's Thanksgiving dinner, but she called and convinced me that I needed to be there. I'm so glad that I did go, as it was the last time I got to see her in person. Melva Lou lived an eventful life, and always made her family her highest priority. Rest in peace my beloved cousin; you deserve it!

Pete Foster - September 07, 2023 at 03:58 PM

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“We are so sorry for your loss, Phyllis, Lorrie and Randy. The Weeks

christine Weeks - September 07, 2023 at 10:26 AM

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“Sympathy and prayers to the Dennis family

Joe Teal - September 07, 2023 at 07:51 AM

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“ *I remember having such fun swimming at your house when we were real little kids, back in the late 1970's/early 1980's. I know you were real close with Uncle Clayton, raised together like cousins or even siblings almost. I hope you two are together now reuniting in heaven. You will always be remembered.*

Nikkalynn Foster DeLaurentis - September 06, 2023 at 10:15 PM