



## Betty Kimberlin May

October 8, 1950 - May 26, 2025

Betty Kimberlin May, 74, passed away on May 26, 2025 in her home in Walls, Ms. She was born October 8, 1950 to Robert and Betty Sawyer. When her mother died, Betty was 3 months old and was raised by her Aunt, Virginia Sawyer Kimberlin and her husband, Arnold Kimberlin of Joiner, Ar. She was raised in the loving Kimberlin family with her brothers, Billy and Richard and her sister, Dotti. She was adopted by the Kimberlin family and proudly took the Kimberlin family name.

She graduated from Shawnee High School in Joiner in 1968.

She married Jim May on August 23, 1974 and they raised two loving sons, James E May, III, known as Trey and a younger son, Matt.

Her passions were gardening, aerobics, cooking and serving along side Jim in many Missional endeavors. She was a Missions Facilitator for IsleGo Missions, leading groups in Turks and Caicos, Bahamas, Haiti, Costa Rica, Trinidad and Tobago and in her home away from home, Jamaica.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Arnold and Virginia Kimberlin, brother Billy Kimberlin, a biological sister, Glenda Sue and a twin brother, Robert Wayne.

She is survived by her husband of 50 years, Jim May; her sons, Trey (Andrea) and Matt (Kathy); 3 grandchildren, Brady May, Alyssa May and Hillary May; her brother Richard Kimberlin (Kay) of Paragould, AR; her sister, Dotti Kimberlin of Joiner, AR; her sister in law, Charlotte Kimberlin of Huntington, TN; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Her love for The Lord was always evident in everything she did, as she battled cancer for almost 7 years, she openly shared her faith in God, she prayed with other cancer patients, encouraging them and she personally, never gave up or showed discouragement in her own condition.

A visitation will be on Friday, May 30 from 6-8:30pm and a Memorial Service on Saturday May 31 at 10:30am, both will be held at Hernando Baptist Church, 11 E Center Street, Hernando, MS.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to IsleGo Missions, Little Blue House Project which was a major passion for Betty, providing homes for less fortunate people of Jamaica.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **30**. 6:00 PM - 8:30 PM (CT)

Hernando Baptist Church  
11 E Center St  
Hernando, MS

## Service

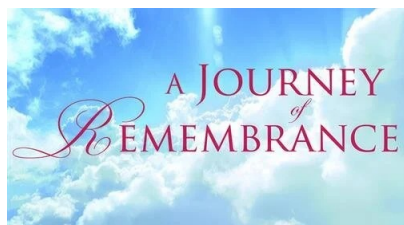
MAY **31**. 10:30 AM (CT)

Hernando Baptist Church  
11 E Center St  
Hernando, MS

# Tribute Wall



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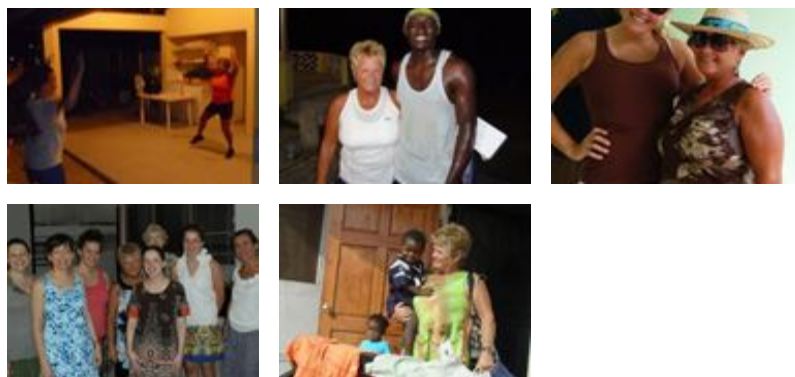
DE

“ To all the Kimberlin and May families, Betty was my cousin who I have tons of memories of visiting and growing up as kids. I regret not knowing her as an adult, but know her faith was strong. That same faith will comfort you.

Debbie - June 01, 2025 at 02:09 PM



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SB

“ I went to school at Shawnee with Betty Jane. I am so sorry to hear of her passing. I always considered her a good friend. One of my fondest memories was playing basketball together. She was a real hustler on the court. I was great at getting the ball away from our opponent but could not dribble worth a darn. Betty Jane would always show up so I could pass the ball to her to take down the court! We had so many fun times together.

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**Sandy Cissell Burnett** - May 29, 2025 at 12:58 AM

DV

*I always thought she was so pretty and always so kind. Her sister Dottie and I grew up together in our little town of Joiner, Ar. Love and prayers to Dottie and all of the family.*

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**Debbie Vines Vest** - May 29, 2025 at 08:25 AM

NJ

*I was fortunate enough to be raised up with Betty, and we still call her Bet Jane. You have to say it fast. She was so kind and sweet. She left many footprints along the way, and this world is a better place because she was here. She will be greatly missed.*

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**Nancy Kimberlin Jenkins** - May 29, 2025 at 09:25 AM