



Donna Lee Mares

January 25, 1968 - April 12, 2026

Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven

Donna Lee Mares, 58, passed away Sunday, April 12, 2026, in Southaven, MS. All services will be held privately. Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven is in charge of arrangements.

Donna will be remembered as a vibrant, compassionate, and selfless woman whose generosity and kindness touched everyone she met. She had a deep love for life and embraced every moment with joy, often becoming the heart of any gathering—truly the one who brought the party with her wherever she went.

She found happiness in life's simple pleasures, including collecting coins, fishing, dancing, reading a good book, and playing word games such as Scrabble and crosswords. She also enjoyed shopping and cherished time spent with those she loved. Known for giving the very best hugs, Donna had a way of making everyone feel valued and cared for.

Above all, Donna loved her family deeply. She was a devoted and loving wife to her husband, George, and took great pride in their marriage. She also loved her pets fiercely and believed that family extends beyond blood—it is built through love, loyalty, and connection. She lived by the belief that one should

never judge others for what they have been through and was always there for anyone in their time of need. Donna also believed in strength and independence, often reminding others that women can do anything, while also appreciating the importance of allowing others to care for you. She lived with the mindset that you are never too old to have fun, and that joy is what keeps you young.

Donna is survived by her devoted, loving husband, George Mares of Horn Lake, MS; children, Patricia Poindexter of Horn Lake, Nikki Mares of Hot Springs, AR, Jennifer Biette and her husband David of Portland, MA, Christopher Mares of Southaven, Madison Mares of Maumelle, AR, Rachel Mares of Conway, AR, and Ryan Mares of Horn Lake; father, Donald Brady of Deltona, FL; sister, Leslie Porter of Ringgold, GA; nephew, Jarred Porter of Ringgold; and her niece, Allison Porter of Ringgold.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Patricia Underwood Brady; brother, Kenneth Brady; and her nephew, Matthew Porter.

Expressions of condolences may be shared on Mrs. Donna Lee Mares Tribute Page at www.colemanfuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall



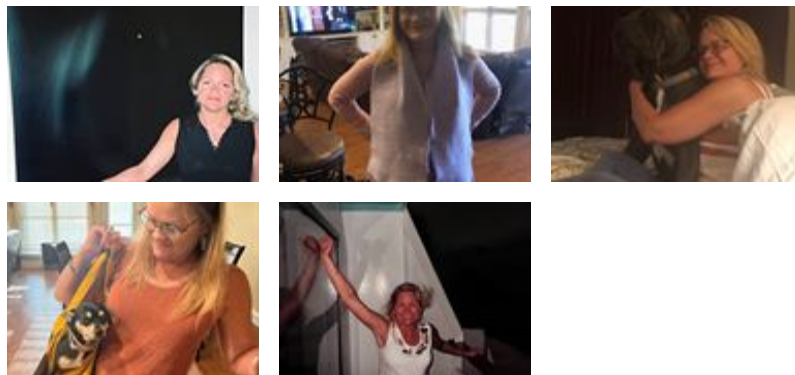
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