



Gloria Gwen Strickland

May 17, 1945 - March 12, 2026

With heavy hearts, we announce the passing of our beloved mother, grandmother, and friend, Gloria Gwen Strickland, of Morris, Alabama. She went home to be with the Lord on March 12, 2026, just two weeks after the passing of her devoted husband, Johnny Strickland.

She was a proud graduate of Mortimer Jordan High School and spent many faithful years serving our community through her work at the District Attorney's Office & Probate Court at the Jefferson County Courthouse where she was known for her dedication, kindness, and unwavering integrity.

Her greatest joy in life was her family. She was a loving mother to four children, a deeply cherished grandmother, and a steady presence to all who knew her. She faithfully poured her life into others, especially through her many years teaching Sunday School for children at Enon Baptist Church, where she helped shape the faith and lives of countless young hearts.

She loved her country deeply and carried a proud spirit of patriotism. Her life was marked by faith, generosity, and a quiet strength that encouraged and uplifted those around her.

Those who knew her will remember her unwavering love for her family, her servant's heart, and the way she showed up for the moments that mattered most. Her legacy lives on in the lives she touched, the family she nurtured, and the faith she shared so freely.

She is now reunited in Heaven with her beloved husband, Johnny, whom she deeply loved and faithfully walked beside for 62 years.

She is survived by her children, Jay Strickland, Scott (Robin) Strickland, Blake (Angela) Strickland and Jeremy (Jeneane) Strickland; grandchildren, Kelsee (Taylor) Philpot, Kori Strickland, Kayman (Aaron) Beach, Sawyer (Camryn) Strickland, Sam (Emma Grace) Strickland, Aselefech Strickland, Mitke Strickland, Evie Strickland and Rohenn Strickland; great grandchildren, Preslee Philpot, Nolan Philpot, Vivian Philpot, Lydia Philpot, Pyper Strickland, Lakely Strickland, Natalie Beach, Braxton Beach, Elliot Beach, Lennon Beach, Oliver Strickland and Graham Strickland and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends who will continue to honor her life and the beautiful example she set.

She is preceded in death by, her husband Johnny Murphy Strickland; her parents, Clarence Eugene and Alta Marie Adams; her sisters, Polly Brakefield, Judy Knopf and Ann Smith and her great granddaughter Hattie Ruth Philpot.

Her memory will forever remain in the hearts of those who were blessed to know and love her. Her legacy will live on through the members of her family.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, March 19, 2026 from 8:30am to 10:30am at Gardendale Heritage Funeral Home. A graveside service will be held at Morris Cemetery at 11am.

Cemetery Details

Morris Cemetery

8600 Stouts Road
Morris, AL

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 19. 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Gardendale Heritage Funeral Home
2214 Decatur Highway
Gardendale, AL 35071
(205) 631-8810
gardendalefuneralhome2@gmail.com

Graveside Service

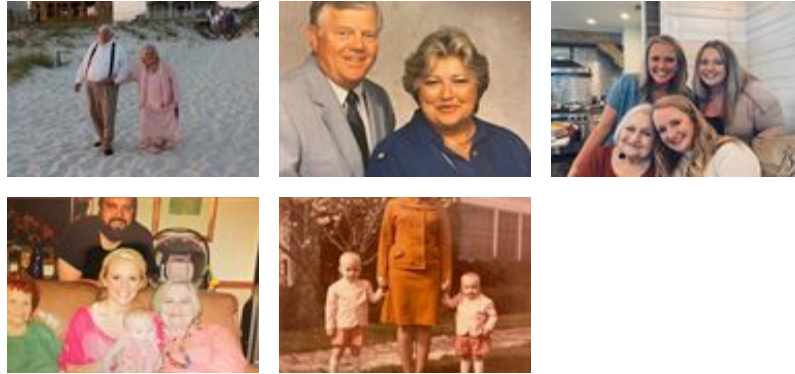
MAR 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

Morris Cemetery
8600 Stouts Road
Morris, AL

Tribute Wall



“ 100 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Gardendale Heritage Funeral Home - March 17 at 03:35 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Gloria Gwen Strickland.



March 16 at 01:13 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Gloria Gwen Strickland.

March 16 at 01:13 PM



“ *Prayers for peace and comfort to the family as you lay your loved one to rest and celebrate her life.*

Cassandra Harlequin - March 16 at 05:12 AM

LJ

“ Laurie and David Jackson purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Gloria Gwen Strickland.



Laurie and David Jackson - March 13 at 08:16 PM

SB

“ While my family and I walked through the painful long goodbye that Alzheimer's brings, Gloria was such a faithful friend. As part of the Sunshine Ministry at Enon Baptist Church she visited in our home each month and brought gift bags, beautiful cards and always a sweet loving smile and prayers of encouragement. I will always cherish the memories of her ministry of love and kindness Tony Mother and my family. She was an amazing woman who genuinely loved others and lived unselfishly! And she always always had a minute (or 10) to talk about her children and grands and greats whom she loved so dearly! I look forward to seeing you again someday sweet Gloria! ❤️



Sherry Buell - March 13 at 03:25 PM

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So sorry for your loss. I knew both of your parents.
I am a MJ '64 graduate.
Anita (Garcia) Roberts

Anita (Garcia) Roberts - March 14 at 11:52 PM