



Linda Jean Payton

February 13, 1944 - January 15, 2025

Linda Jean Payton, age 80, passed away on Wednesday, January 15, 2025.

Survivors include her children: Cynthia (William) Leavell, Dain (Tamara) Payton and Bradley (Jennifer) Payton; daughter in-law, Sandy Payton; grandchildren: Candace (Heath) Ballenger, Clint (Allison) Payton, Chris (Megan) Guy, Dan (Heather) Leavell, Cassie (Dan) Gauer, Justin (Courtnei) Payton, Jared (Andrea) Payton, Macey (Cam) Phillips, Emily (Karson) Nichols and Jacob Payton; thirteen great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Robert Lester and Oma Lee Borage Winters; her husband of 62 years, James Edward Payton; and a son, Michael Payton.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, January 27, 2025 at 1pm at Gardendale Heritage Funeral Home, with burial to follow in Calcedonia Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Monday from 12pm to 1pm.

Cemetery Details

Calcedonia Cemetery

1750 Sardis Road
Gardendale, AL 35071

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 27. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

FT

“ From : Thomas L Turner purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Linda Jean Payton.



From : Thomas L Turner - January 25, 2025 at 12:34 PM

FT

“ From : Thomas L Turner planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Linda Jean Payton.

From : Thomas L Turner - January 25, 2025 at 12:08 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Linda Jean Payton.



January 23, 2025 at 12:04 PM



“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Linda Jean Payton.



January 23, 2025 at 11:47 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Linda Jean Payton.

January 23, 2025 at 11:47 AM



“ September 1993 with Emily



Tamara Payton - January 21, 2025 at 05:07 PM



“ Christmas 2000



Tamara Payton - January 21, 2025 at 05:06 PM



“ 50th Anniversary celebration



Tamara Payton - January 21, 2025 at 05:05 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Linda Jean Payton.



January 19, 2025 at 12:13 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Linda Jean Payton.

January 19, 2025 at 12:13 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Macey Phillips - January 18, 2025 at 08:45 AM



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MP

“ Excited to go see PawPaw!



Macey Phillips - January 18, 2025 at 08:44 AM

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Macey Phillips - January 18, 2025 at 08:37 AM

TP

This was Christmas 2019. I can still hear her saying “bye-bye I love you”

Tamara Payton - January 18, 2025 at 09:24 AM

TP

“ I now look at this as them entering eternity together ❤️



Tamara Payton - January 17, 2025 at 02:34 PM

TP

“ *October 2024*



Tamara Payton - January 17, 2025 at 02:33 PM

TP

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Tamara Payton - January 17, 2025 at 02:32 PM

TP

“ *Both ended up as patients at UAB at same time and discharging at same time. The look on Mawmaw's face and the jubilant expression of Pawpaw's, says it all*



Tamara Payton - January 17, 2025 at 02:32 PM

TP

“ *Always together*



Tamara Payton - January 17, 2025 at 02:29 PM

TP

“ *Our wedding 1992*



Tamara Payton - January 17, 2025 at 02:28 PM

EN

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Emily Nichols - January 17, 2025 at 01:56 PM

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Emily Nichols - January 17, 2025 at 01:54 PM

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Emily Nichols - January 17, 2025 at 01:52 PM

CA

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cassie - January 17, 2025 at 09:27 AM

BR

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brad - January 16, 2025 at 11:13 PM

BR

They always went everywhere together, even the hospital stays.

brad - January 16, 2025 at 11:14 PM

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brad - January 16, 2025 at 11:08 PM

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Moms always smiling.

brad - January 16, 2025 at 11:09 PM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



brad - January 16, 2025 at 11:04 PM

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brad - January 16, 2025 at 10:47 PM

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Mom and dad at “the crib” as so named by their grandson JP. Otherwise knows as their home 🤗

brad - January 16, 2025 at 10:49 PM

TP

Holding hands ☐

Tamara Payton - January 18, 2025 at 09:21 AM

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brad - January 16, 2025 at 10:38 PM

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Mom with the love of her life. James, aka “sleepy”

brad - January 16, 2025 at 10:40 PM

MP

This one!!!❤️ the way I will always remember them.

Macey Phillips - January 18, 2025 at 08:35 AM

TP

Ohhh I LOVE this picture

Tamara Payton - January 18, 2025 at 09:22 AM

CH

Pestering pepaw, and sweet maw maw! 🤔

chris - January 20, 2025 at 08:55 PM