



## Jettie Lee Griffin

May 19, 1932 - June 1, 2017

Jettie Lee Witt Griffin, 85, was born in Tippah County on May 19, 1932 to Mr. and Mrs. Vance Coyette Witt. She died June 1, 2017. The funeral service will be held Tuesday, June 6, 2017 at 2:00 P.M. at First Baptist Church Booneville with Dr. Lynn Jones officiating. Visitation will be Monday June 5, from 5:00pm to 8:00pm at the Booneville Funeral Home and from 1:00 to 2:00pm Tuesday at the church prior to the service.

Lee's early years were spent working, attending Fellowship Baptist Church with her family and enjoying Sunday lunch with relatives. She attended Tippah Union High School where she played on the 1950 Women's State Champion Basketball team and was active in 4H. With the encouragement and support of her parents, she enrolled at Mississippi State College for Women in Columbus and graduated in 1954 with a Bachelor's degree in Home Economics. . She later returned to MUW and while raising a family and teaching, she obtained a Master's Degree in Home Economics. Through the years, she continued to support the "W" and attended many alumni events with her classmates at what is now Mississippi University for Women.

After college graduation, Lee worked for the State Extension Service as a Home Economist in Clay County. She later taught Home Economics at West Point High School then Booneville High School where she used her skills to touch many lives. Before retirement, Lee helped working women balance work

and family through an innovative program at Northeast Community College.

Lee married Robert D. Griffin of Nettleton, Mississippi June 3, 1956. She will be remembered with special memories by her daughters Jan Gannon (Frank), Kay Henry, and Donna Cleveland (Craig), her grandchildren Carolyn Henry Corrao , Drew Henry, Kathryn Monroe, Cameron Cleveland, Constance Cleveland and many nieces and nephews.

Lee's faith was an important part of her life. She served her church, community and others through her generous spirit and many activities. One special activity was as the chair of the flower committee at First Baptist Church Booneville where she helped spread joy and smiles through the beauty of nature for over 30 years. Other organizations and activities throughout her life were Women's Club, Retired Teachers Association, Vocational Teachers Association, Delta Kappa Gamma, WMU and helping adults learn to sew.

She was preceded in death by her sister Betty Witt Barkley (Billy) and is survived by her brothers Bobby Witt and his wife Nellie Fay of Tupelo, MS, and Vance Witt and his wife Tootsie of New Albany, MS.

Pallbearers will be Jerry Keeton, Joe Keeton, Phil Purvis, Sidney Nicholson, Richard Coggins and Don Williams. Honorary pallbearers will be the Tiger Den Coffee Club and Booneville First Baptist Church Deacons.

Memorials may be made in Lee's honor to the First Baptist Church Flower Fund, 401 W. Church Street, Booneville, MS 38829, the Alzheimer's Association at [alz.org](http://alz.org), the Mississippi University for Women Foundation, 100 College St., MUW-1618, Columbus, MS 39701 or to the charity of your choice.



# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 5. 5:00 PM (CT)

Booneville Funeral Home  
506 North Third Street  
Booneville, MS 38829  
(662) 728-6607  
<https://www.boonevillefuneralhome.net>

## Service -First Baptist Church Booneville

JUN 6. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

KW

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I have fond memories of being in Mrs. Griffin's Home Economics class at WPHS.

Kim Ray West - June 07, 2017 at 09:21 AM

KP

“ Our deepest sympathy to all of you.  
Karen and Kay Powell

Karen Powell - June 06, 2017 at 06:22 PM

PH

“ Words seem so small and meaningless when your loss is so great, but I do want you to know that. Bob joins me in sympathy and prayer as you face this time of great loss. Christ's Peace. Priscilla and Bob Harper, Yazoo City, MS

Priscilla Harper - June 06, 2017 at 08:10 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jettie Lee Griffin.



June 05, 2017 at 05:07 PM

Cindy  
Hicks

“ We are so very sorry to hear of Mrs. Griffin's passing. Our thoughts & prayers are with all of you and we pray comfort & strength for you, in the coming days.

*WBIP Radio Mgmt. & Staff*



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**Cindy Hicks** - June 05, 2017 at 04:21 PM

LH

“ Mr. Griffin & family,  
I just received the news of Mrs. Griffin's passing, while out of town. I am so very sorry and wish I were in town to come by. We will be praying for comfort, strength & peace for you all.

*I hope to see you in a few days, when I get back in to town.*

*Larry E. Hill & Family*



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**Larry E. Hill** - June 05, 2017 at 04:19 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jettie Lee Griffin.



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June 05, 2017 at 03:50 PM

DB

“ *Debra Bonds lit a candle in memory of Jettie Lee Griffin*



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**Debra Bonds** - June 05, 2017 at 12:57 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Jettie Lee Griffin.*



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June 05, 2017 at 09:45 AM