



## Judy Little

March 24, 1939 - May 19, 2024

Judy Little, 85, of Fort Payne, passed away Sunday, May 19, 2024. She was born March 24, 1939 in Wadley, Alabama, to the late Joseph Francis Pruitt and Mary Gambrell Pruitt. She invested her early years lovingly raising her daughter Maleia and son Warren in Gadsden and Sylvania. Once her children were grown and started families of their own, Judy joyfully extended her loving energy to spending quality time with her adult children, her grandchildren, and her great-grandchildren. Judy's pride and joy was her family, and she was lovingly known as "Granny" to all because the family she knew, loved, and prayed for expanded far beyond those related to her. To be in Judy's presence was to be seen, to be heard and to know you were cared for.

Judy was a lady of southern humor and charm. She was a lover of animals, and she enjoyed long-term companionship with Brandy, Jasper, and Trixie, to name a few. Her hobbies included reading, coloring, enjoying a good southern meal with sweet tea, watching plays and movies, and celebrating Holidays and birthdays with loved ones. Judy loved chocolate, and she took great pleasure in reminding everyone that her mother ate dessert first and lived to be 90. Judy survived two types of cancer and braved the passing of many cherished loved ones over the years with so much grace. And she faithfully prayed daily for the people in her life who needed more help than she could extend in her own strength.

Now that Judy's lifelong faith has become sight, she can rejoice in a life well lived and a job well done. Every day, she will be remembered, cherished and honored as those who were loved by her carry forward her intentional kindness, unwavering grace and relational faith. Hers is truly a legacy of love.

A memorial service is planned for 11 a.m., Saturday, May 25th at Wilson Funeral Home in Fort Payne. The family will receive friends from 10 am to the 11 am hour of service.

Judy is survived by her children Warren Watson and Maleia Willis (Jerry); grandchildren Jana Villanueva (David), Jeremy Willis (Jessica), Jerad Watson (Jessica), and Elijah Willis (Sara); and great-grandchildren Blake, Jace, and Roman Villanueva, Grayson and Roselyn Willis, Ann Margaret and Nolan Watson, and Jeremiah, Lillian, and Julia Willis.

Wilson Funeral Home and Crematory of Fort Payne is overseeing arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

MAY **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Wilson Funeral Home  
3801 Gault Ave. N  
Fort Payne, AL 35967

## Memorial Service

MAY **25**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Cheryl Little sent a virtual gift in memory of Judy Little



Cheryl Little - December 27, 2024 at 11:16 AM

PA

“ I remember Judy always with a smile and kind word. I actually named my daughter Maleia after her daughter yrs ago. R I P J Judy.

pam - June 02, 2024 at 02:41 PM

TV

“ Rest in peace sweet beautiful southern lady with an infectious laugh.  
You loved and were loved by all who knew you.  
May we whom you called the steel magnolias, your coworkers of many years meet in that yonder land of peace and happiness.

Teresa Veal - May 30, 2024 at 01:50 PM

JP

“ Jeff Pruitt & Pamela Pruitt purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Judy Little.



Jeff Pruitt & Pamela Pruitt - May 24, 2024 at 01:25 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Judy Little.*



May 24, 2024 at 12:06 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Judy Little.*



May 22, 2024 at 09:23 AM



“ *The Brandon Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Judy Little.*

**The Brandon Family** - May 22, 2024 at 09:23 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear this. I worked with Judy for several years. She was kind, caring, and always available to her friends. We kept in touch and talked often. She will be so missed. We'll meet again some day.*

**Beverly Giles Watts** - May 21, 2024 at 12:34 PM



*So sorry that we can't be there! She was an awesome woman that I called Aunt Judy! ❤️*

**Garry Blaylock** - May 23, 2024 at 09:38 AM