



## Mrs. Ann Bates

October 26, 1942 - December 28, 2019

Mrs. Ann Bates, 77 of Sylvester, died on Saturday, December 28, 2019 at Pruitt Health Care Sylvester.

The funeral service will be held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, January 2, 2020 at the First Baptist Church of Sylvester. The Rev. Donnie Duncan will officiate.

Mrs. Bates was born on October 26, 1942 in Irvin County, to the late Elster Lee and Ina Mae Leverett Cox. She had lived in Worth County most of her life and was retired from the State of Georgia Mental Health Department. Mrs. Bates enjoyed crocheting and baking but most importantly spending time with her friends and family. She was a faithful and active member of the First Baptist Church in Sylvester.

Survivors include her sisters, Ina Etheredge (Julius) of Leesburg; Peggy Cox Sparling of Baconton, Ga; a host of nieces and nephews; feline companions, Jackson and T.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Bates was preceded in death by her brother, Curtis Cox; sisters, Mary Cox, Linda Blalock; nephew, Scott Etheredge.

The family will receive friends on Thursday from 10:00 AM until the service hour at First Baptist Church of Sylvester.

Please sign our online guest registry at [www.banksfh.com](http://www.banksfh.com).

Banks Funeral Home in Sylvester is in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 2. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church  
207 N. Isabella St.  
Sylvester, GA 31791

## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Ann Bates*

January 28, 2023 at 12:53 PM



“ *Ann was a sweet and gentle soul! She was a faithful choir member with a beautiful voice as long as was possible! She loved her family ,and helped them as she was able. Will miss her sweet presence!*

**Jeanie Carter** - January 01, 2020 at 01:18 PM



“ *Carol York lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ann Bates*



**Carol York** - December 31, 2019 at 08:59 PM



“ *Gary Posey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ann Bates*



**Gary Posey** - December 30, 2019 at 06:28 PM



“ *Ann was a very sweet lady she stood tall in what she believed in RIP Ann*

**Sandy page** - December 30, 2019 at 04:20 PM

BJ

“ *Brenda Jennings lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Ann Bates*



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**Brenda Jennings** - December 30, 2019 at 10:47 AM

BL

*So sorry for her family's loss. My condolences to her family and friends.*

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**Betty Lister** - December 31, 2019 at 06:11 PM

JG

“ *Ann had a beautiful voice and such a sweet spirit! She will be missed.*



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**Jerri Goff** - December 29, 2019 at 03:00 PM

SC

“ *Sending prayers and love*



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**Stacy Cox** - December 29, 2019 at 07:18 AM

EC

“ *Such a sweet lady. Loved going on Constructor trips with her. Had some fun times. She will be missed. Prayers for her family.*

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**Evelyn Fletcher Castleberry** - December 28, 2019 at 08:25 PM