



## Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith

July 1, 1937 - May 31, 2024

Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith, 86, of Sylvester, died on Friday, May 31, 2024, at her residence.

The funeral service will be held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday, June 4, 2024, at Banks Funeral Home Chapel, interment will follow in the Hillcrest Cemetery in Sylvester. The Rev. Dan Harper will officiate.

Mrs. Smith was born on July 1, 1937 Colquitt County, Georgia, to the late Isaac Euel Clayton, Sr., and Nettie Lee Devane Clayton. She had lived in Worth County most of her life, and was retired from the ASCS Office and later retired from Farm Commodities , where she worked as an office administrator. Mrs. Smith enjoyed working in her yard, crocheting and cooking. She loved spending time with her family and friends, especially with her grandchildren and great grandchildren. Mrs. Smith was a dedicated and active member of Poulan United Methodist Church in Worth County.

Survivors include her sons, Clay Smith and Donnell Smith (Darlene Phillips) all of Sylvester; grandchildren, Audrey Smith (Steven Bell), Lauren Cook (Stuart), Alecia Phillips and Jason Phillips (Danielle); great grandchildren, Sadi Bell, Layne Bell, Olivia Cook, Caiden Cook, Braylee Phillips, Skylar Phillips, Clayton Phillips, Charlotte Phillips, and a host of extended family members; special caregiver, Brooke Flaherty.

In addition to her parents, Mrs. Smith was preceded in death by her loving husband, William D. "Bill" Smith on October 2, 1991; siblings, Warren E. Clayton and Isaac Euel Clayton, Jr.

The family will receive friends on Monday from 6:00 PM until 8:00 PM at Banks Funeral Home.

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

Banks Funeral Home in Sylvester is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Hillcrest Cemetery

701 S. Isabella Street  
Sylvester, GA 31791

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 3.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Banks Funeral Home  
PO Box 550  
210 N. Main Street  
Sylvester, GA 31791  
(229) 776-2055  
banksfh@yahoo.com  
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## Burial

JUN 4 (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

EA

“ To Clay and family, I am so sorry to hear of your mother’s passing. You all are in my prayers.

Eric Adams - June 13, 2024 at 03:02 AM

JO

“ June Odom lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith



June Odom - June 09, 2024 at 05:41 PM

BL

“ Bradley Luke lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith



Bradley Luke - June 07, 2024 at 04:53 PM

RJ

“ So sorry for your loss. My prayers go out to the family. She will be missed.



Ralph Willis, Jr - June 05, 2024 at 08:47 PM

LT

“ gonna miss her. she was full of laughter and fun, witty too. most of all she was kind. wish i had more time to spend with her and the others. <3



Lora Troutman - June 05, 2024 at 01:12 PM

PR

“ Pam Raby lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith



Pam raby - June 04, 2024 at 05:25 PM

KB

“ Katie Bell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith



Katie Bell - June 04, 2024 at 02:33 PM

BP

“ Bonnie Potts lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith



Bonnie Potts - June 04, 2024 at 10:20 AM

DR

“ *Deirdre Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



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**Deirdre Reynolds** - June 03, 2024 at 09:59 PM

LW

“ *LaSandra Williams lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



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**LaSandra Williams** - June 03, 2024 at 09:02 PM

JK

“ *Jan And Alan Kimbro lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



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**Jan and Alan Kimbro** - June 03, 2024 at 03:36 PM

MC

“ *Melissa Curry lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



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**Melissa Curry** - June 03, 2024 at 02:20 PM

BF

“ *Beth Hill Favreau lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



Beth Hill Favreau - June 03, 2024 at 12:43 PM

KT

“ *Mrs Bettye was my neighbor for over 23 years she was such a kind hearted and sweet lady. We spent many days sitting in the yards talking and laughing. She would do anything she could for you. I am truly going to miss her. RIP Mrs Bettye we love you but God loves you best. Katie Taylor*

Katie Taylor - June 02, 2024 at 07:49 PM

LP

“ *Lamar Potts lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



Lamar Potts - June 02, 2024 at 02:44 PM

AH

“ *Ann Haire lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



Ann Haire - June 02, 2024 at 10:02 AM

PB

“ *Paula Basko lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



Paula Basko - June 02, 2024 at 09:46 AM

EC

“ *Evelyn Fletcher Castleberry lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



Evelyn Fletcher Castleberry - June 02, 2024 at 09:39 AM

AC

“ *Amelia Cook lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



Amelia Cook - June 02, 2024 at 04:54 AM

BP

“ *Bonnie Potts lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



Bonnie Potts - June 01, 2024 at 11:51 PM

DM

“ *Deborah Smith Mainor lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



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**Deborah Smith Mainor** - June 01, 2024 at 11:41 PM

SW

“ *Sandra Watson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



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**Sandra Watson** - June 01, 2024 at 10:38 PM

MH

“ *Mack And Mary Houston lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



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**Mack and Mary Houston** - June 01, 2024 at 07:17 PM

MI

“ *I only knew Ms. Bettye for a short time ... she taught me how to stir grits! Rest In Peace ... you were loved by many* ❤️



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**Mary Thompson Iachini** - June 01, 2024 at 06:58 PM

JS

“ *Judy & Mack Sutton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



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**Judy & Mack Sutton** - June 01, 2024 at 05:39 PM

CB

“ *Chris Burrell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



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**Chris Burrell** - June 01, 2024 at 05:24 PM

CT

“ *Culmer Tanner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



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**Culmer Tanner** - June 01, 2024 at 04:25 PM

JC

“ *June Coker lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



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**June Coker** - June 01, 2024 at 03:57 PM

LB

“ *Linda Bell lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



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**Linda Bell** - June 01, 2024 at 02:43 PM

DB

“ *Debbie Banks lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



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**Debbie Banks** - June 01, 2024 at 01:34 PM

JC

“ *Betty was our next door neighbor when we first moved to Sylvester. She was a very sweet lady and dedicated to her family. Prayers for her family. James and Judy Coleman*

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**Judy Coleman** - June 01, 2024 at 12:34 PM

KM

“ *Karen McDonald lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith*



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**Karen McDonald** - June 01, 2024 at 11:44 AM

SB

“ Sorry for yalls loss sending prayers 🙏🙏🙏

stacey blake - June 01, 2024 at 10:59 AM

SJ

“ Sandra A Jones lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Betty Clayton Smith



Sandra A Jones - June 01, 2024 at 10:50 AM



“ My prayers and love go out to all of Betty’s family. She was precious, caring person always thinking of others. I loved for her to play the organ in church. She just live up when she was playing the Oregon art directing the choir. I love you, Betty; and I will miss you very much. I know that you are now in a better place, and your body is healed and free of pain.

Prayers for Donnell, Clay and all the family ❤️ 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Janice Carter - June 01, 2024 at 10:28 AM

BL

My sincere condolences in the loss of Mrs Betty prayers for Donnel ,Clay and family. She was a loving wife, mother ,and Grandmother also a great friend

Betty Lister - June 01, 2024 at 01:07 PM

MT

Betty was a very loving lady with many talents!! This community will surly miss her!! My heartfelt condolences to her family and all who knew and loved her! RIP Betty!

mary Touchton - June 01, 2024 at 06:47 PM

GS

“ Gail Snipes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith



Gail Snipes - June 01, 2024 at 10:14 AM



“ Christy Dixon lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith



Christy Dixon - June 01, 2024 at 09:15 AM

CY

“ Carol York lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith



Carol York - June 01, 2024 at 09:08 AM

SB

“ Susan And Harold Brantley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith



Susan and Harold Brantley - June 01, 2024 at 09:03 AM

MF

“ Mary Jane Fraley lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Bettye Clayton Smith



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**Mary Jane Fraley** - June 01, 2024 at 08:28 AM



“ I will miss Mrs. Bettye! She was such a sweet soul, always thinking of and doing for others. I enjoyed her weekly visits. She would always come by the shop each week after her hair appointment with Traci to see what new plants I had. That lady LOVED her plants! She also loved getting flowers for her church, and she'd always say "And make it AIRY!" Lol Her heart and soul was her children and grandchildren, she was always bragging on her babies. The last time I saw her was Mother's Day week, she had her caregiver Brooke come meet me and she was so happy to be out and about and picked up a plant for Lauren. Had I known it would be her last visit with me I would have hugged her and not let go! God broke the mold when he made sweet Mrs. Bettye. My heartfelt condolences go out to her family. She will be DEEPLY missed!

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**Kristi Jones** - June 01, 2024 at 07:23 AM