



Alida "Nookie" Skelton

October 28, 1928 - April 27, 2023

Mrs. Alida Bernice "Nookie" (Spurgeon) Skelton, 94, of Hohenwald, TN, passed from this life on Thursday, April 27, 2023, at her home.

Alida was born on October 28, 1928, to Joe Wilson and Mary Doxie (Beatty) Spurgeon in Lewis County. On July 28, 1946, she married the love of her life, Joe Skelton. They were married until his passing in 1998. Alida worked in many different factories, mostly sewing factories, during her lifetime. She was a lover of life and she knew how to live it. In 2023, she was named Person of the Week for the Lewis County Herald. That was definitely something she didn't see coming but was unbelievably honored to be chosen. She was always up for a trip, and constantly lived life on the go. She was active her entire life up until her health declined in recent months. She was a superb gardener and you could drive by and see her out working in the flower beds every day during the spring and summer. She loved a trip to the Amish and always looked forward to going. She was a dedicated mother to her children. She loved to be with them and always enjoyed having them over for Sunday dinner. She was an amazing cook. She could cook anything and everything. She was welcoming to everyone. You always felt like family at her house. More than anything, she was a wonderful Mawmaw. Her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren all adored her. Alida was a child of God. When she was able, she attended Freedom Holy Temple.

Along with her parents and husband, she is preceded in death by her son,

Gary Skelton, grandson, Gary Eugene Skelton, great-grandsons, Ethan Skelton and Branton Sharp, sisters, Ruth Yates, Clara Jones, Johnnie Webber, Lucille Lomax, and Kate Ingram, brothers, Herman Spurgeon, Claude Spurgeon, Clarence Spurgeon, and Joseph Spurgeon, and one son-in-law, Larry Duncan.

She is survived by her daughters, Linda Duncan of Hohenwald, Marline (Jody) Martin of Hohenwald, Mary (Van) Craig of Smyrna, Brenda (Terry) Scott of Hohenwald, and Renee "Rendy" (Gary) Gobbell of Waynesboro, her sons, Larry (Pam) Skelton, and Terry (Denise) Skelton, her grandchildren, Shawn Skelton, Terra Mincey, Tina Runions, Ryan Skelton, Daniel Scott, Brande Davidson, Nathan Grimes, Josh Skelton, Darrin Duncan, Zachary Gobbell, and Matt Phillips. She is also survived by many great and great-great-grandchildren and one special niece, Becky Sue Dabbs.

Graveside services will be held on Friday, April 28, 2023, at 1:00 PM at the Downey Cemetery in Hohenwald with Glen Floyd, Ryan Skelton, and Blake Farr speaking. Visitation will be held prior to the service from 11:00 AM-12:45 PM at the McDonald Funeral Home in Hohenwald.

Cemetery Details

Downey Cemetery

780 Centerville Hwy
Hohenwald, TN 38462

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 28. 11:00 AM - 12:45 PM (CT)

McDonald Funeral Home, Inc. - Lewis County
20 West 2nd Avenue
Hohenwald, TN 38462
(931) 796-2207

Graveside Service

APR 28. 1:00 PM (CT)

Downey Cemetery
780 Centerville Hwy
Hohenwald, TN 38462

Tribute Wall



“ McDonald Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Alida "Nookie" Skelton



McDonald Funeral Home, Inc - July 10, 2023 at 12:10 PM

MG

“ Marilyn Gilliam lit a candle in memory of Alida Skelton



Marilyn Gilliam - April 30, 2023 at 09:48 AM

TO

“ I am so sorry. Wish I could console all of you. There are no words for the loss of a loved one. Tony

Tony Odil - April 29, 2023 at 10:40 AM

SC

“ Sheila Chance sent a virtual gift in memory of Alida Skelton



Sheila Chance - April 28, 2023 at 06:22 PM

LH

“ Lynda Hinson sent a virtual gift in memory of Alida Skelton



Lynda Hinson - April 28, 2023 at 01:48 PM

RG

“ Ronald Gammons lit a candle in memory of Alida Skelton



Ronald Gammons - April 28, 2023 at 01:38 PM

DO

“ Devin & Bernadett ORourke. She will be missed



Devin and Bernadett Orourke - April 28, 2023 at 08:49 AM

MW

“ Sending hugs and prayers to each and everyone of you. Aunt Nookie was the best. Love you all.

Mark/Chris Weber - April 27, 2023 at 08:20 PM

MW

“ *Mark/Chris Weber lit a candle in memory of Alida Skelton*



Mark/Chris Weber - April 27, 2023 at 08:16 PM

MS

“ *Oh sorry to hear of this loss for her children She was such a good hearted person I spent many nights at her house as a young child always so good to me,*

Mary Simmons - April 27, 2023 at 05:49 PM

RW

“ *Rickey Westbrooks sent a virtual gift in memory of Alida Skelton*



Rickey Westbrooks - April 27, 2023 at 04:30 PM

JM

“ *We will miss her around here. She encouraged us to get up and go. Always enjoyed her garden and flowers. It won't be the same without her here at the apartment complex.*

Jean Masi - April 27, 2023 at 04:23 PM

MB

“ *Michael Bates sent a virtual gift in memory of Alida Skelton*



Michael Bates - April 27, 2023 at 03:57 PM

DC

“ *Mrs Skeleton was a very sweet lady always loved her hats she wore to church*



Debbie Carroll - April 27, 2023 at 03:53 PM



“ *Joyce Mayberry lit a candle in memory of Alida Skelton*



Joyce Mayberry - April 27, 2023 at 01:57 PM



“ *Betty Love lit a candle in memory of Alida Skelton*



Betty Love - April 27, 2023 at 01:21 PM