



Glenda Kay Coates

October 25, 1954 - August 12, 2025

Glenda Kay Burlison Coates

Age 70, of Centerville, TN, passed away peacefully on August 12, 2025, surrounded by her loved ones. She was born on October 25, 1954, in Hohenwald, TN, to the late Howard Burlison and the late Pearl Simmons Burlison.

Glenda was a loving mother, devoted wife, and cherished friend. She proudly retired from the Hickman County School System, where she touched many lives through her dedication and kindness. Her greatest joy was her family, especially supporting her grandchildren—often found in the stands at their sporting events, cheering them on with pride. She also treasured the companionship of her beloved dog, BamBam.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, James Coates. She is survived by her daughters Ginger James (Jeremy) of Centerville and Holly Orozco (Octavio) of Daphne, AL; her grandchildren Lauryn Benfatto (Brandyn), Lindsay Diamante, Anthony Diamante, Courtney James, Jackson Smith, and Chase Orozco; her sisters Peggy Stacey and Judy Bates; her brother Jerry Burlison Sr. (Penny); and many beloved nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, August 15, 2025, at McDonald Funeral

Home in Centerville, TN. Family visitation will be from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., with public viewing beginning at 12:00 p.m., and the funeral service starting at 1:00 p.m.

The family wishes to extend their heartfelt gratitude to all the nurses and staff members who lovingly cared for both of our parents.

“Well done, good and faithful servant... Enter into the joy of your Lord.” –
Matthew 25:23

Cemetery Details

Coates Cemetery

Centerville, TN 37033

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **15**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

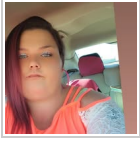
McDonald Funeral Home, Inc. - Hickman County
102 West End Ave.
Centerville, TN 37033
(931) 729-3561

Funeral Service

AUG **15**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs Glenda Coates was one of my GED teachers and I loved her so much. You will be forever missed*

Tiffany Halbrooks - August 20, 2025 at 03:18 AM



“ *James Arthur (Tank) & Dana Atkinson lit a candle in memory of Glenda Kay Coates*



James Arthur (Tank) & Dana Atkinson - August 17, 2025 at 09:28 PM

NJ

“ *Glenda was an important person at HCHS during the years when we were a part of the highschool. She was always kind and helpful. We are sorry for the loss of she and your dad.*

Neil and Bea Jobe - August 17, 2025 at 09:04 PM

CM

“ *Cheeva McClearen lit a candle in memory of Glenda Kay Coates*



Cheeva McClearen - August 16, 2025 at 12:12 AM

MC

“ *Michelle Cripps lit a candle in memory of Glenda Kay Coates*



Michelle Cripps - August 15, 2025 at 10:43 AM

MF

“ *Mark and Melissa Filson lit a candle in memory of Glenda Coates*



Mark and Melissa Filson - August 14, 2025 at 01:24 PM

CM

“ *I remember our time together at HCHS with fondness. Carolyn Moss*



Carolyn Moss - August 13, 2025 at 09:23 PM

RP

“ *So sorry hear to the passing of your mother she was a wonderful woman I will continue to pray and my deepest condolences*

Ruby Peters - August 13, 2025 at 06:31 PM

JH

“ *Jewel & Dwight Hinson lit a candle in memory of Glenda Coates* ”



Jewel & Dwight Hinson - August 13, 2025 at 01:39 PM

LG

“ *Lonnie & Marilyn Gilliam lit a candle in memory of Glenda Coates* ”



Lonnie & Marilyn Gilliam - August 13, 2025 at 01:29 PM

GG

“ *gail gammons lit a candle in memory of Glenda Coates* ”



gail gammons - August 13, 2025 at 12:28 PM

RS

“ *We're thinking of u.* ”

Regina & Martha Shelton - August 13, 2025 at 10:32 AM

RH

“ *We are so sorry of the loss.* ”

Ruby & Rex Horner - August 13, 2025 at 10:32 AM

RG

“ Ronald Gammons lit a candle in memory of
Glenda Coates



Ronald Gammons - August 13, 2025 at 09:38 AM

WP

“ Wayne & Jewell Prince sent a virtual gift in
memory of Glenda Coates



Wayne & Jewell Prince - August 13, 2025 at 09:17 AM

RM

“ Roy & Sharon McCoy lit a candle in memory
of Glenda Coates



Roy & Sharon McCoy - August 13, 2025 at 09:16 AM

DS

“ I’m so sorry for Glenda’s family. When you lose both your parents just a few months apart, I can’t even imagine. Keith worked with James and Glenda at S & S Bi-Rite many years ago. When I started dating Keith, we became really good friends. James and Keith coached our women’s softball team at Doyle Bowen Park. We had many good card games, 3:00 am breakfast, We just had lots of fun together. Once a friend ,always a friend. I’m so grateful for all the wonderful memories. To her family, I wish you Comfort, Strength and Peace that passeth all understanding. Love all of you



Debbie Semore - August 13, 2025 at 05:49 AM

NB

“ So sorry for y'all's loss



Nathan Bates - August 13, 2025 at 04:09 AM

JW

“ I've been trying to text my friend the last 3 weeks she never texted me back .She gave me hope when my Son was sick in gave me courage to get though it .She was a bright light to all I will never forget her .Prayers for her children, Brother and sisters



JOYCE Williams - August 12, 2025 at 09:58 PM

BM

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with family. Glenda was so kind and sweet. We had many great times playing softball together.* ”



Bobby/Sandy McFarlin - August 12, 2025 at 09:22 PM

SA

“ *I loved this woman and Mr James like I did my own parents. I know yall are so happy to be reunited in perfect healthy bodies! We are sure going to miss you!* ”

Susan Adkins - August 12, 2025 at 09:19 PM

MB

“ *MICHAEL BATES sent a virtual gift in memory of Glenda Kay Coates* ”



MICHAEL BATES - August 12, 2025 at 09:17 PM

SB

“ *Shawna Bowman lit a candle in memory of Glenda Kay Coates* ”



Shawna Bowman - August 12, 2025 at 08:33 PM

ES

“ *Ed And Melinda Sullivan lit a candle in
memory of Glenda Kay Coates*



Ed and Melinda Sullivan - August 12, 2025 at 07:33 PM