



## Judy Ray Bennett

October 21, 1946 - January 12, 2024

Judy Ray Bennett, passed away peacefully on January 12, 2024, in Hampshire, Tennessee. She was born on October 21, 1946, in Maury County to the late Ray Pilkinton and Marie Gilliam Pilkinton.

Judy dedicated 40 years of her life to the Pepsi Bottling Co., where she not only excelled professionally but also formed lasting friendships and became a beloved member of the Pepsi family.

Judy loved to bowl, especially with her friends and family. She and her husband, John, shared a love for the outdoors, often going camping with their children. These trips were filled with laughter, adventure, and many fishing excursions, despite Judy's fear of water.

The Smoky Mountains held a special place in Judy's heart, as she cherished the family trips with her husband, daughter, and grandchildren. Her enthusiasm for races and admiration for the race car driver Sterling Marlin were well-known among her friends and family.

Above all, Judy's faith was central to her life. As a Christian, she found strength in reading her Bible, a practice that guided her through life and extended up until her final days.

In addition to her parents, Ray and Marie Pilkinton, she is preceded in death by her son, Patrick Bennett.

She leaves behind to cherish her memory, her beloved husband of 58 years, John Bennett; her daughter, Wanda Parker of Shelbyville, TN; her sister, Betty Lofton; her grandchildren, Caitlyn Bennett, Alyssa Bennett, Gracie Parker, Zakkary Parker, Tyler Claxton; and great-grandchildren, Bentley Claxton, Ava Claxton, Layla Matney and Everly Cowley.

Visitation with Judy's family will be on Saturday, January 13, 2024, from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at McDonald Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held on Sunday, January 14, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. in the chapel of McDonald Funeral Home with Larry Helton and Ricky Glass officiating. Burial will follow in Gordonsburg Cemetery.

McDonald Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Bennett family.

# Cemetery Details

## Gordonsburg Cemetery

1402 Columbia Highway  
Hohenwald, TN 38462

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 13. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral Service

JAN 14. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ McDonald Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of Judy Ray Bennett



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**McDonald Funeral Home, Inc** - August 02, 2024 at 11:20 AM

MB

“ Martha William Butler lit a candle in memory of Judy Bennett



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**Martha & William Butler** - January 14, 2024 at 05:20 PM

SM

“ Judy was a very special lady. I would love when her and Johnny would come to Oklahoma to visit. Prayers for the family.

*Love Shelley McGehee*

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**Shelley McGehee** - January 14, 2024 at 03:27 PM

JB

“ joyce barnes lit a candle in memory of Judy Bennett



joyce barnes - January 13, 2024 at 09:43 PM

RG

“ Our deep sympathy is sent to johnny and judy's family.we know she will be a great loss to you all.we thinking of you all at this sad .from Ros and steve goodyear in sheffield.England

Ros goodyear - January 13, 2024 at 07:01 PM

RG

“ Ronald Gammons lit a candle in memory of Judy Bennett



Ronald Gammons - January 13, 2024 at 09:14 AM

MB

“ Michael BATES sent a virtual gift in memory of Judy Bennett



Michael BATES - January 13, 2024 at 08:13 AM



“ *Betty Love lit a candle in memory of Judy Bennett*



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**Betty Love** - January 12, 2024 at 11:45 PM