



Mary Bess Jackson

July 27, 1947 - July 13, 2025

Mary Bess Jackson, 77, of Fort Smith; passed away Sunday, July 13, 2025, at Willard Walker Hospice Home, Fayetteville. She was born Sunday, July 27, 1947, at Fort Smith; to Franklin Wayne and Edith Alyne Tankersley Simpson.

Bess spent many years working at the Madison County Assessor's office and was a member of Calvary Baptist Church. She had a deep appreciation for farm life and enjoyed the simple pleasures of going to horse races and team roping events with her husband, Danny. What brought her the most joy, though, was being present for her grandchildren's activities, especially their sporting events. Bess also enjoyed spending time with her family and friends. She was a wonderful cook who took pleasure in preparing meals for others, and she loved her family with all her heart.

Bess was preceded in death by her husband, Daniel "Danny" Ray Jackson; her parents, Franklin Simpson, and Edith and Herbert Smith; three brothers, Ken Simpson, Joe Simpson and Frank Simpson; one sister, Virginia McLoud; and two step-brothers, Kirk Smith and Eugene Smith.

She is survived by three daughters and one son-in-law, Marsha and Todd Easterling, of Springdale; D'ette Bolinger and Dawn Dennis, both of Huntsville. Bess is also survived by seven grandchildren, Brock Easterling, Carson Easterling, Hannah Easterling, Cameron Bolinger, Jackson Warren, Kyler

Dennis and Kortney Dennis; nine great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends at 9:00 AM, Wednesday, July 16, 2025, at Brashears Funeral Home. A celebration of life honoring her will begin at 10:00 AM, with Glenn Thomas officiating. Honorary pallbearers will be grandsons, Brock Easterling, Carson Easterling, Cameron Bolinger, Jackson Warren, and Kyler Dennis. Memorial donations in Bess' name may be made to Willard Walker Hospice Home, 325 E Longview St, Fayetteville, AR 72703. Services are entrusted to Brashears Funeral Home and Crematory of Huntsville.

Previous Events

Receive Friends

JUL 16. 9:00 AM (CT)

Brashears Funeral Home and Crematory
509 North Gaskill Street
Huntsville, AR 72740
(479) 738-2123
<https://www.brashearsfuneralhome.net/>

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

DO

“ *Donna Phillips*

Donna - April 04 at 04:21 PM

DP

“ *Prayers for all.*

Donna Phillips - July 17, 2025 at 04:42 PM

EM

“ *With deepest sympathy to Marsha and all of Bess's family and loved ones..She was a treasure in so many ways... rest in peace my dear friend!*



Euna McKnight - July 16, 2025 at 03:09 PM

VC

“ *Some of our most favorite times and most treasured memories were spent visiting and going to ropings with Uncle Dan and Ma Bess in the summer! We loved them both so much and miss them every day! Prayers for peace and comfort for family and friends at this time and for the days ahead! Hugs and prayers, Love Roney, VeAnn, Reese, and Ry Clark and families*

VeAnn Clark - July 16, 2025 at 12:12 PM

LB

“ Love: Maddie, Brock, Riley, & Brett purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mary Bess Jackson.



Love: Maddie, Brock, Riley, & Brett - July 16, 2025 at 07:43 AM

CG

“ You are in my prayers.

Charles Gurley - July 16, 2025 at 02:14 AM

WB

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. I loved working with her in the Courthouse. I know she will be missed.

Wynonia Burgess Boller - July 15, 2025 at 09:35 PM

BW

“ I have so many memories it would take a few years to post them!
Ma Bess was a jewel and a joy to be around and work with!
My heart goes out to you Marsha and her family in this difficult time!
I rejoice in knowing she's in Heaven where you all will see her again!

Love and God bless you all

Tommy and Billie Whorton

Billie Whorton - July 15, 2025 at 12:01 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Bess Jackson.*



July 15, 2025 at 11:25 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mary Bess Jackson.

July 15, 2025 at 11:25 AM



“ *I share many good memories with Mary Bess. Know she is at peace and in God's loving arms. God Bless the family.*

Dorothy Dyer - July 15, 2025 at 10:06 AM