



Alma Ellison Sams

March 22, 1941 - May 15, 2021

Alma E. Sams, age 80, of Strawberry Plains, went to be with the Lord after a lengthy illness Saturday, May 15, 2021.

She retired from National Bank of Tennessee after 10 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, John Herbert Sams, daughter, Serila Camille Sams, parents, Noah and Della Ellison, brothers, Stanley Ellison, J. D. (Jean) Ellison, Pat Ellison, Claude Ellison, Junior Ellison, Tip Ellison, Lacy Ellison, and Ruland Ellison, sisters, Jewel Dunn, Edna McFalls and Gracie Ellison, brother-in-law Lewis Ellison.

She is survived by her daughter, Danise Blazer and fiancé James Greenlee of Morristown, sisters, Norma Owens, of New Market, grandchildren, Corey Blazer and fiancé Flora Briggs of Talbott, great-grandchildren, Ayden Blazer, Isaiah Blazer, step-granddaughter, Layla Amburn, sisters-in-law, Mary Lou Ellison and Ozell Ellison loyal and faithful friend to the family and her best friend and caregiver, Jean Batson of Parrottsville, also other family and friends.

Graveside services will be held 11:00 am Tuesday, May 18, 2021 in Faubian Cemetery, with Scott Gorrell officiating. Burial will follow.

Special Thank You to Smoky Mountain Home Health and Hospice of Knoxville and her caregivers Geraldine Wilson and Gail Brosnahan.

In lieu of donations the family requests that donations be made to Cocke County Shrine Club, 363 East Main Street, Newport, TN 37821. In honor of her great-grandson Ayden Blazer.

Please continue to follow CDC guidelines for safety.

Family and friends may sign the guest register on line at: www.manesfuneralhome.com.

Arrangements by Manes Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAY 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

Faubian Cemetery

Tribute Wall



“ *Alma Ellison Sams*

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ *Danise, I'm so sorry to hear about Alma passing. I loved her so much. She always made me feel so welcome in your home when I was visiting. She was a very special LADY, and I feel so privileged to have know her. Rest In Peace Ms Alma.*

Christy (Valentine) Cates

Christy Cates - May 19, 2021 at 07:55 PM



“ *Alma was such a special lady. I only got to work with her a few short years but she was by far a pleasure to be around. I will surely miss her! Rest In Peace Alma.*

Candy Wells Jones - May 18, 2021 at 02:31 PM



“ *May God's loving presence comfort you, His perfect peace restore you, and His promise of eternal life sustain you during this time of loss.*

With Deepest Sympathy,

Ralph & Lula Ozmun (Jean Batson's Sister)

Lula Ozmun - May 18, 2021 at 09:59 AM

TF

“ Our hearts go out to you and the pain you're feeling now. We're praying the Lord will surround you with His peace beyond understanding and His comforting arms to strengthen you.
With Heartfelt Sympathy,
Tammy & Jabo Francis
Smoky Mountain Home Health & Hospice

Tammy Francis - May 18, 2021 at 09:57 AM

DD

“ I lost a dear friend last night when Alma went to her heavenly home. I will miss our phone conversations we had during this pandemic and our luncheon dates at Shoneys. We were fortunate to become friends during our high school days and became closer after the deaths of our husbands. Thanks for the sweet memories. Your friend, Doris Douglas.



Doris Douglas - May 17, 2021 at 03:54 PM

TM

“ Alma was a classmate of mine - Class of 59 at Cocke County High School. She served on the reunion committee; and will be greatly missed. I join with the entire Class of 59 in praying for the family. God bless each of you!

Tom Mooty - May 17, 2021 at 12:32 PM

MF

“ Alma was a classmate at CCHS 1959. Love, Sympathy & Prayers go out to her family.

Myra Woodson Fowler - May 17, 2021 at 11:27 AM

MP

“ We are so sorry for your loss and will be praying for the family.

Mike and Angie Patterson - May 17, 2021 at 09:31 AM

DW

“ This message is from "Blue" Welch to the family of Alma Sams.

So sorry for this families loss. Alma was a good friend and will be missed by all those who knew her. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

"Blue" Welch

Don Barbara Welch - May 17, 2021 at 09:13 AM

MC

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Alma was a very sweet lady. I pray that God will give you comfort and peace during this difficult time.

Mary Ann Chrisman

Mary Chrisman - May 17, 2021 at 08:43 AM

ME

“ Mary Lou Ellison sent a virtual gift in memory of Alma Ellison Sams



mary lou Ellison - May 16, 2021 at 08:24 PM

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“ Norma Owens sent a virtual gift in memory of Alma Ellison Sams



Norma Owens - May 16, 2021 at 08:17 PM

JB

“ It is so hard to give up my best friend but I know she is in Heaven waiting on me. I pray for Danise and her family to have peace and comfort in the coming days. I lost a best friend but Heaven gained an angel.

Jean Batson - May 16, 2021 at 06:35 PM

JB

“ Jean Batson lit a candle in memory of Alma Ellison Sams



Jean Batson - May 16, 2021 at 06:28 PM

TM

“ So very sorry to hear about Alma's passing, She was such a nice lady. Loved talking with her at the family reunions. Love and Prayers to you all.

Anna Ellison Wilds and family
Teresa Massey
Deborah Wilds Barbrey

Teresa Massey - May 16, 2021 at 03:55 PM

VC

“ *Denise, I am so sorry to hear about your Mother. She was one of my favorite people to work with at the bank so many years ago! We always had a good time and she could always make me laugh. I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers now and in the coming days.*

Vickie Kuykendall Costner - May 16, 2021 at 03:05 PM