



## Barbara Chappell Watson

August 15, 1945 - June 26, 2024

Barbara Chappell Watson, age 78, passed away peacefully, with her husband by her side, on Wednesday, June 26, 2024. She was born on August 15, 1945, in Wynne, Arkansas. She was a loyal member of the Wynne Church of God for 44 years.

Barbara raised three children on her own until marrying Johnny Watson on June 27th, 1981, when they became a blended family of two daughters and four sons. Barbara and Johnny were married one day short of 44 years. Barbara loved her family very much, including, daughters, Tina Middleton Adams and Kevin of Jonesboro, Jennifer Watson Sanders of Jonesboro, sons, Floyd (Eddie) Middleton and Shawna of Horseshoe Bend, Mike Middleton of Marianna, Randy Watson of Wynne, and William Watson of Wynne, sisters, Brenda Blake of Wynne, Retta Barr and Jim of South Carolina, brothers, Don Chappell of Wynne, Ronnie Chappell of Wynne and Rodger Chappell and Cheryl of Mountain Home, eleven grandchildren and seven great grandchildren rounded out the group.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Floyd Chappell and Inola Chappell, brother, Larry Chappell, sister-in-law, Valerie Chappell Miller and grandson, Matthew Middleton.

Barbara was industrious, working many different jobs. She was the President

of the Community Involvement Team for Levi Strauss, where she worked for many years. She was the bookkeeper and boss over Johnny Watson both for farming and trucking operations. She assisted her daughter in opening and operating a retail antique and home décor business and worked part time for Spencer Motor Company.

Barbara was an excellent seamstress; she loved gardening and grew the most beautiful flowers.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, June 29, 2024, at Kernodle Funeral Home from 12:30 pm until 2 pm. Funeral services will follow at 2 pm with Rev. Tim Gabbard officiating. Burial will be in Ellis Chapel Cemetery in the Jolly Ellis community. Pallbearers will be Jon Middleton, Will Watson, Preston Dennis, Austin Dennis, Devin Chappell and Kenton "KT" Shahan.

Barbara's family would like to express sincere gratitude to the staff at Woodruff County Health Center for the wonderful and devoted care of Barbara and their family.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital  
501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105

# Cemetery Details

## Ellis Chapel Cemetery

Ar-193 & Ar-284  
Wynne, AR

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 29.** 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Kernodle Funeral Home  
315-325 E. Union Avenue  
Wynne, AR 72396  
(870) 238-2323  
kernodlefuneralhome@gmail.com  
<https://www.kernodlefh.com/>

## Funeral service

**JUN 29.** 2:00 PM (CT)

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## Interment

JUN **29** (CT)

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Ar-193 & Ar-284  
Wynne, AR

# Tribute Wall



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Barbara Chappell Watson.



June 28, 2024 at 02:57 PM



“ Mary Ann and Scott Shawmeker planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Barbara Chappell Watson.

Mary Ann and Scott Shawmeker - June 28, 2024 at 02:57 PM



“ Love you, Lora Gillis and Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Barbara Chappell Watson.



Love you, Lora Gillis and Family - June 28, 2024 at 10:27 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara Chappell Watson.



June 28, 2024 at 12:07 AM

WO

“ Wanda Oswald lit a candle in memory of Barbara Watson



Wanda Oswald - June 27, 2024 at 11:39 PM

TB

“ Tracy & Jack Bledsoe purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Barbara Chappell Watson.



Tracy & Jack Bledsoe - June 27, 2024 at 11:33 PM

MW

“ Mary & Fenn Wimberly purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Barbara Chappell Watson.



Mary & Fenn Wimberly - June 27, 2024 at 06:53 PM

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GS

“ Wonderful childhood memories as Gene tells us!!! Accept our sympathies, Tina & Mike

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**Gene and Cissy Smith** - June 27, 2024 at 04:53 PM