



## Earl L. Branch

December 31, 1936 - February 5, 2017

Earl, age 80, went to his Heavenly Home on Sunday, February 5, 2017. He was a native of Goodman, MS and a resident of Ponchatoula. Earl was a dedicated member of Millville Baptist Church. After he retired from his job in the oilfield as a toolpusher, he found great joy in woodworking and welding in his spare time. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and brother, and will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

Earl is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Bettie Marie Robertson Branch; daughters, Dana Ragan and husband Jeffrey, Lisa Saltaformaggio and husband Louis, Kim Reggio and husband Scott; sisters, Maxine Simons, Billie Merle Dickerson, Tommie Sue Kilpatrick; brother, Fred Mabry "F.M." Branch, Jr.; grandchildren, Landyn and Lake Ragan, Caitlyn, Cody, and Corey Saltaformaggio, Kamdyn and Karsyn Reggio.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Fred Mabry Branch, Sr. and Susie Ellen Burrell-Branch-Aldy; siblings, Hoye Mancel Branch, Edgar Lamar Branch, Ruthie Jean Cox.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the visitation from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, Ponchatoula, on Wednesday, February 8, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00p.m. The visitation will resume on Thursday from 9:00 a.m. until the funeral services at 11:00 a.m. Bro. Josh Day

and Bro. Charles Bigner will officiate and interment will follow in Ponchatoula Cemetery.

Condolences and other information is available online at [www.thompsoncares.com](http://www.thompsoncares.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Ponchatoula Cemetery

Hwy 22  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 8. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - Ponchatoula, LA  
1190 Highway 51  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454  
(985) 370-9296

## Visitation

FEB 9. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - Ponchatoula, LA  
1190 Highway 51  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454  
(985) 370-9296

## Funeral Service

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FEB 9. 11:00 AM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - Ponchatoula, LA  
1190 Highway 51  
Ponchatoula, LA 70454  
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# Tribute Wall

ML

“ Offer my condolence to the family, death our enemy claimed another life. We know from reading the bible that God yearns to bring our loved ones back to the earth as Job 14:13-15 says. Jesuse gave us a preview of this by bringing Lazerus back as John11:25,26 says. May this comfort your family through this difficult time.

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**M. Loyd** - February 20, 2017 at 05:59 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Earl L. Branch.



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February 08, 2017 at 12:23 PM

RF

“ Roxanne Robertson Mcfarlin and family purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Earl L. Branch.



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**Roxanne Robertson Mcfarlin and family** - February 08, 2017 at 10:44 AM

BL

“ *My heart and prayers for you all. may you all find comfort and peace during this time. love always Barbara Lessard*



barbara lessard - February 07, 2017 at 09:41 PM

FB

“ *FM, Pat and Jody, Mike and Lyn Branch purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Earl L. Branch.*



FM, Pat and Jody, Mike and Lyn Branch - February 07, 2017 at 07:21 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Earl L. Branch.*



February 07, 2017 at 05:40 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Earl L. Branch.*



February 07, 2017 at 01:56 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Earl L. Branch.*



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February 07, 2017 at 12:18 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Earl L. Branch.*



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February 07, 2017 at 10:42 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire Branch family. Precious happy memories throughout the years that we have shared will forever warm our hearts. Mr. Earl and Ms. Betty will be remembered as a roll model couple for each of us. All of our Love, Raymond, Dawn, and Jacob Starkey and Loretta Dottolo*

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**loretta dottolo** - February 07, 2017 at 10:04 AM



“ *I was so sorry to hear for Mr. Branch's death. May our Lord wrap His comforting arm around each of you.*

*Terri Chaucer and Family.*

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**terri chaucer** - February 07, 2017 at 08:56 AM

AS

“ So sorry for your loss. I will continue to pray for you all. I know he is heaven healthy and pain free. May the Lord hold you all's hearts tight so you can get through this time. Mr. Earl always was a kind man with a great smile, and loved his family. From the Sticker Family.

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**Amanda Sticker** - February 07, 2017 at 04:41 AM

GY

“ Glen Tammie and Luke Yoes. Our prayers are with your family .

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**Glen Tammie and Luke Yoes** - February 06, 2017 at 11:27 PM

NB

“ So sorry to hear of Earls passing. I always thought he had the most pleasant smile. I know he will be truly missed. Prays for all of the family. Our cousins are getting less and less.

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**nancy burrell beck** - February 06, 2017 at 11:21 PM

GA

“ So sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you.

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**Gordon Anderson** - February 06, 2017 at 09:37 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Earl L. Branch.



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February 06, 2017 at 07:39 PM

SC

“ *Stephanie & Scott Reggio & children purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Earl L. Branch.*



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**Stephanie & Scott Reggio & children** - February 06, 2017 at 07:26 PM

RM

“ *Richie ,hannah, and nick cox Love you so much purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Earl L. Branch.*



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**Richie ,hannah, and nick cox Love you so much** - February 06, 2017 at 07:18 PM