



Mary Alice Sickels Bankston

June 9, 1926 - January 23, 2022

Mary, age 95, joined her husband in Heaven on Sunday, January 23, 2022. She was a native of Sulphur Springs, TX and a longtime resident of Albany, LA. Mary was a lifelong member of New Hope Baptist Church where she taught Sunday school and worked in the nursery for many years. She was a strong, independent woman who always put others before herself. Mary took being a Granny seriously and made sure to spoil her grandbabies to the fullest. She worked at Western Auto in Albany for many years and greeted everyone who came in with a smile. Mary never met a stranger and left a huge impact on all those she met. She will be deeply missed.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Terri Bankston Prokop; sons, Bobby Joseph Bankston (Penny), Jimmy Leroy Bankston; grandchildren, Corey Joseph Prokop (Smita), Mary Lynn Moran (Trey); and great-granddaughters, Addie Lynn Prokop and Meghana Helen Prokop.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Leroy S. Bankston; parents, Bobby and Janie Sickels; daughter, Gwendolyn Sue Bankston; sister, Gertrude Littlefield; and brothers, RB Sickels and Ray Sickels.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project or Paralyzed Veterans of America.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend a visitation from the

chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, 12012 Hwy 190 W.
Hammond, LA 70401, on Saturday, January 29, 2022 from 10:00 a.m. until
the funeral service at 1:00 p.m. Interment will follow in Bankston Cemetery.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 29. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - Hammond, LA
12012 Highway 190 W
Hammond, LA 70401
(225) 567-1884

Funeral Service

JAN 29. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mary Alice Sickels Bankston*



Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home - January 28, 2022 at 03:17 PM



“ *Southern Magnolia Tree was purchased for the family of Mary Alice Sickels Bankston.*



January 30, 2022 at 01:57 PM



“ *There is truly no place to start. Aunt Mary was a Rock Star. Don and I went to Aunt Mary for comfort, advice and just the genuinely best person to calm your fears. When you talked to Aunt Mary, she listened and you were the most important person at that moment. Her heart was bigger than her home state of Texas. She offered you the biggest hug and smile every time you were so lucky to see her. I will miss her deeply. She has helped raise my daughters and each of us will cherish all those memories. I know she was greeted by many that she has missed. I love you all and pray for each of you. Her life is a celebration.*

Deborah Bankston - January 26, 2022 at 09:40 AM

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“ So many memories of good times with this family growing up. Beautiful wonderful lady. I can both cry and smile right now thinking about Ms Mary! Riding in a pick up truck with her and our momma, going to town, laughing, singing along with the radio! I love ya'll Terry, Bobby Joe and Jimmy! Keeping the family in my prayers!

Patsy Cunningham Collura

Patsy Collura - January 25, 2022 at 12:07 PM

MM

“ Terri , Bobby Joe & Jimmy,
I thought the world of your mom-her sense of humor, her strength and high moral values. She was such a good friend to my mother & always there for her.

I'm so glad to have grown up “nextdoor” to y'all.

Praying for you during this hard time.

Love to all,

Margie Ann Cunningham Middleton

Margie Middleton - January 24, 2022 at 06:24 PM

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There is no way to describe our sweet heart, Ms. Mary, she was so loved by everyone that knew her. She was an anchor in anybody's storm and could take the worry out of any problem. No one has to worry about her fate, she really deserves her heavenly home in Heaven. She will be truly missed and my prayers are with all of you. She was a God sent blessing ! Love y'al, Flo Stewart

Flo Stewart - January 29, 2022 at 10:17 AM