



Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton

December 30, 1955 - April 12, 2024

Mary Bratton, age 68, of Hollywood, AL passed away on April 12, 2024, from Early Onset Alzheimer's disease after a 13-year battle. She was preceded in death by her father Bob Barber.

She is survived by her husband Mike; her Mother Betty Barber; her children Ben (Esther) and Beth (Graham) Patterson; her grandchildren Charlotte, Margaret, Rob, and Gray; her siblings Susan, Jeffrey, and David (Freda) Barber.

Mary attended MTSU and Georgia State (MEd). After her education, she taught middle school in Atlanta, Ft Payne, and Scottsboro until she became a stay-at-home mother in 1983. In her role as mother, she taught the Gospel and the Bible (and Algebra) to Ben and Beth; always bearing fruit and showing the love of Christ. Mary and Mike were married on August 13, 1977. Mike has been a stalwart caregiver to Mary throughout her illness; joyfully fulfilling his vows and loving her always. Mike's hard and faithful work, through God's grace and provision, has given Mary many years of comfort and love during her long passing. The family would like to especially thank Sandy Hines, Connie Bullock, and Donna Cooper for the compassionate and skilled care they have provided in the last few years. You have been God's gracious provision for Mary and Family. We thank you. We are comforted knowing that Mary is breathing the air of Heaven and after so many years, her mind now fully restored, she is standing before our God as a faithful servant.²

Corinthians 12:9-10 But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my

power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

Visitation will be held at Calvary Baptist Church in Scottsboro, AL April 16, 2024 from 1pm to 3pm with a memorial service immediately following. In lieu of flowers, contributions to Turning Point Pregnancy Center would be appreciated.

<https://turningpointscottsboro.networkforgood.com/projects/50138-2018-support-donations>

Arrangements Entrusted to Scottsboro Funeral Home

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 16. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Calvary Baptist Church
305 County Park Rd
Scottsboro, AL 35768-2705
(256) 259-0385

Memorial Service

APR 16. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

TH

“ Mrs Bratton was my 6th grade teacher, but she was so much more than that to her students, especially me! She was so good to me and taught me so many lessons on life, love, and commitment. I loved her dearly and am so sorry I missed her service. I loved her and will always be grateful that I was in her class and she invested in me! ❤️

Tangie Holland - March 09 at 09:12 PM

FJ

“ I'm thinking that your Mary is a classmate of mine from Vestavia Hills High School. If this is true she attended VHHS her senior year in 1973, she drove a VW and we were friends. I visited her once in Murfreesboro. I've often wondered what had happened to her but could never find her. Sorry for your loss, I have fond memories of time spent with Mary.

Fay Leftheris Johnson - October 25, 2024 at 09:18 AM

SB

It's true, Fay! I remember you from 1972 in Vestavia. I'm her sister, Susan.

susan barber - March 26 at 12:03 PM

BJ

“ Mike we are so sorry to hear about Mary. Bill and Lynn Jones

bill jones - April 18, 2024 at 10:40 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.*



April 16, 2024 at 09:56 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.*



April 16, 2024 at 08:29 AM



“ *Mike, we have been thinking and praying for you, Mary and family since learning of her illness from Donny last June. May God bless and comfort you all.*
Craig and Libby Lokey

neil lokey - April 15, 2024 at 07:52 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.*



April 15, 2024 at 07:24 PM

OS

“ O’Neal Steel planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.

O’Neal Steel - April 15, 2024 at 01:31 PM

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“ O’Neal Steel purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.



O’Neal Steel - April 15, 2024 at 01:31 PM

SF

“ Steven, Yonea Chunn and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.



Steven, Yonea Chunn and family - April 15, 2024 at 01:30 PM

MP

“ Mike, Paula, Adam, & Clea Kate Parton purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.



Mike, Paula, Adam, & Clea Kate Parton - April 15, 2024 at 01:01 PM



“ Carlis Lowe and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.

Carlis Lowe and family - April 15, 2024 at 12:09 PM



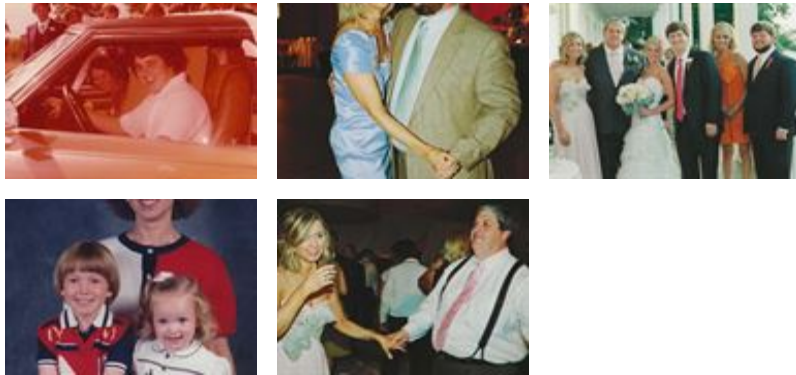
“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.



April 15, 2024 at 12:09 PM



“ 42 files added to the album Life Tributes



Scottsboro Funeral Home and Pinehaven Memorial Gardens - April 15, 2024 at 12:02 PM



“ *From all of the Littles purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.*



From all of the Littles - April 15, 2024 at 11:54 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.*



April 15, 2024 at 11:22 AM

DL

“ I first met Mary at Immanuel Baptist Church when we were in junior high. The church was small, so we were all close. Her sweet dad was our Sunday School teacher for a couple of years, too, and we loved him dearly. Mary, Mike, my husband and I also attended high school together. She was so sweet and so much fun! We moved out of the country in 1997, and haven't lived in Mboro since, but we learned of Mary's illness from Patty at one of our class reunions, and were heartbroken at the news. Our love and prayers pour out to Mike, Beth, Ben and families, Mrs. Barber, Susan, Jeff, and David and families. We certainly don't understand why the paths go as they do, but the love that Mike and the family have shown to Mary is beyond inspirational, and Beth's statement that God has been enough to sustain them through it all is indeed profound. I thank God for the blessing that Mary and her family were in my own life, for Mr. Bob's teaching upon us very impressionable girls entering our teenage years and pouring into us the love of Christ, I thank God for Mary's friendship, for her smile that could cheer us up on even the worst day, for the amazing job she did as a teacher and a mother, pouring Jesus into others, just as her parents poured into her. I thank God for all who have witnessed the love and spirit of Christ as Mike and her loved ones have so selflessly and sacrificially cared for Mary during her illness. There's no telling how far the ripples of the waves of her story will reach, but God knows, and we can trust His plan. Now for all eternity Mary is whole, complete, and enjoying every moment of her homecoming celebration! Mike, we are in awe of you. May God's peace, love, and strength surround all of you and comfort you as only He can.

Debbie Wyatt Leyhew - April 14, 2024 at 11:53 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.*



April 14, 2024 at 11:32 PM



“ *Love Aunt Laurie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.*

Love Aunt Laurie - April 14, 2024 at 07:05 PM



“ *Love Aunt Laurie purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.*



Love Aunt Laurie - April 14, 2024 at 07:05 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.*



April 14, 2024 at 05:21 PM

MS

“ *Mike, Linda, Michael and Kristy Stevens purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mrs. Mary Barber Bratton.*



Mike, Linda, Michael and Kristy Stevens - April 14, 2024 at
02:55 PM