



## Mrs. Mary Nell Payne

November 4, 1923 - April 24, 2022

Retired educator and loving mother, grandmother, and aunt, Mary Nell Payne of Section, Alabama died on Sunday, April 24, 2022.

She is survived by her three children, Pamela Payne of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Victor Payne and Melanie Payne, both of Section, Alabama; two grandchildren, Daniel Allen of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania and Christopher Allen of Indianapolis, Indiana. Mary Nell also has one remaining sibling, Kathryn Hartline of Henagar, Alabama, as well as several nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grandnephews.

Born in Hollytree, Alabama on November 4, 1923, Mary Nell attended Paint Rock Valley School graduating in 1944. She immediately enrolled in Florence State Teachers College (now UNA). She began teaching third grade in the Fall of 1944. one of her students was her brother, the late Boyd Hambrick-a third grader at the time. Mary Nell moved on to teach elementary education at Macedonia Junior High School. She lived at the boarding house for teachers run by the late Eula Wellborn, where she met Eula's nephew, Elliotte Payne, who would become her husband on May 5, 1951.

Mary Nell later finished her BS in Elementary Education from Athens College (now Athens State University) in the summer of 1971. She retired in 1987 after a distinguished 35-year career. Then she became an active member of

the retired teachers' guild of Jackson County.

Mary Nell also took up the art of quilting. She was a member of the "Peace by Piece" quilting guild of Jackson County. She quilted over 30 quilts from 1987-2012-including an award-winning applique quilt called "Boston Garden". She was a devoted member of Corinth Baptist Church.

Funeral services for Mary Nell will be Saturday, April 30, 2022 at 1 p.m. at Scottsboro Funeral Home. After the funeral, there will be a graveside service at Corinth Cemetery in Macedonia. Visitation will be at the funeral home beginning at 11 a.m. until time of service. In lieu of flowers, please donate to a charity of your choice in memory Mary Nell.

Arrangements Entrusted to Scottsboro Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## Corinth Cemetery

Co. Rd. 49  
Section, AL 35771

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**APR 30.** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Scottsboro Funeral Home  
1502 County Park Road  
Scottsboro, AL 35769  
(256) 574-3965  
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<https://www.scottsbороfuneralhome.com>

## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mrs. Mary Nell Payne*

October 05, 2023 at 01:26 AM



“ *Blessings and prayers for the family as you journey through this time of memory, love and care.*

*Peace,  
Fr. Jerry Gaeta*

**GR. Gaeta** - April 29, 2022 at 03:32 PM



“ *51 files added to the album Life Tributes*



**Scottsboro Funeral Home and Pinehaven Memorial Gardens** - April 29, 2022 at 03:26 PM

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“ *The Lyons Family (Evelyn) purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mrs. Mary Nell Payne.*



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**The Lyons Family (Evelyn)** - April 28, 2022 at 06:55 AM



“ *0 file added to the tribute wall*

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**Scottsboro Funeral Home and Pinehaven Memorial Gardens** - April 27, 2022 at 03:40 PM

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“ *Sister Ruth Draughon, Bethlehem PA purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mrs. Mary Nell Payne.*



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**Sister Ruth Draughon, Bethlehem PA** - April 27, 2022 at 12:02 PM

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“ *Lynette (Payne) Tom Schick and family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Mary Nell Payne.*



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**Lynette (Payne) Tom Schick and family** - April 27, 2022 at 12:24 AM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Mrs. Mary Nell Payne.*



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April 26, 2022 at 03:59 PM



“ *Ms Hambrick/Mrs Payne was my second or third grade teacher as a child at Macedonia School. I remember her as a wonder teacher, she was beautiful, and kind lady. As a child I loved her very much. A few years ago, I believe in the late 1990's or early 2000's while visiting my home area. My sister Ann Mewborn Douglas & I looked her up. We had a very nice visit with her in her home. May God rest her in his arms of love. And our prayers for peace & comfort to the family. She was a treasure to We poor tenant farm kids in the Community of Macedonia in the 1940's & 50's She set the Standard for us in our Education beginnings to go on to higher Educations, and Careers. God Bless, Tommy Mewborn New Port Richey, Florida.*

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**Tom Mewborn** - April 26, 2022 at 01:56 PM