



Mary Ellen Newman Gray

October 22, 1941 - February 4, 2021

Mrs. Mary Ellen Newman Gray, age 79, of Forrest City, died Thursday, February 4, 2021, at the Crossridge Hospital in Wynne. Her death came sudden and unexpected.

Mrs. Gray was born October 22, 1941, in Little Rock, Arkansas, and was the daughter of Orville Robert Newman and Sarah Elizabeth Gavin Newman. She lived in St. Francis County most all of her life, was a housewife, and a Catholic.

Mrs. Gray married Johnny T. Gray in 1971, and he preceded her in death in 2018. She is survived by three sons; Steve Gray, and wife, Stacy, of Austin, Arkansas, Tommy Gray, and wife, Sandra, of Colt, and Rob Gray, and wife, Kerri, of Edmond, Oklahoma, three daughters; Pat Coley, and husband, Darrell, of Checotah, Oklahoma, Ellen Jolly, and husband, Lance, of Colt, and Lisa Long, and husband, Shawn, of Moro, two brothers; Jimmy Newman of Portland, Oregon, and Bob Newman of Elk Grove, California, sixteen grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren. She had one granddaughter, Kristy Marie Martin, who preceded her in death.

Services for Mrs. Gray will be held Graveside, 10:00 A.M., Monday, at the Loughridge Cemetery in Colt. Stevens Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Memorials are to be made to the Blue Mountain College, 201

West Main St., Blue Mountain, Mississippi, 38610. You may log on to stevensfuneralhome.net for the online registry.

Cemetery Details

Loughridge Cemetery

Colt, AR

Previous Events

Graveside Service

FEB 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

Loughridge Cemetery
Colt, AR

Interment

FEB 8 (CT)

Loughridge Cemetery
Colt, AR

Tribute Wall

CC

“ I met Mrs. Gray while receiving services for my car at Gray’s Service Center in Forrest City, AR. She took me back to work many times when I left my car at the station to be serviced. She was friendly, kind, and caring, as was Mr. Gray. I will never forget the kindness shown to me by them, their son Rob, and the staff at the center. They were a blessing to me for many years. It was truly a “service” center.

Rob, I am praying for you and your family, asking God to fill the void with His love, and comfort you in the days to come.

*Sincerely,
Ceretha Crowder*

Ceretha Crowder - February 17, 2021 at 11:19 AM



“ European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mary Ellen Newman Gray.



February 08, 2021 at 09:26 AM

LE

“ Lewis And E.J. Etheridge lit a candle in memory of Mary Ellen Newman Gray



Lewis and E.J. Etheridge - February 08, 2021 at 06:37 AM

RJ

“ Rob and family,
So sorry to hear about Mary Ellen.
all of you are in my thoughts and prayers.

Ray Jackson

Ray Jackson - February 07, 2021 at 07:01 PM

PP

“ For Mary Ellen's Children and family.
I am Mary Ellen's sister-in-law.
I share a memory of Mary Ellen's kindness when several years ago
my son was killed in an automobile accident. Mary Ellen found
innovative alternative ways to offer encouragement, Her soft voice
and kind words were as a healing salve placed on a wounded
shattered heart. I didn't see her often but when I did she would give
a tight hug and softly whisper concern for my well being. I cherish
this memory of my sweet sister-in-law.

Mary Ellen honored my brother. She adored her children, She loved
her grandchildren. She laughed often. Mary Ellen enjoyed life and
living.

I am so very sorry for your loss.

She was lovely. I will miss her.
Peggy Gray-Paulsen

Peggy Paulsen - February 07, 2021 at 06:41 PM

CC

“ you will be missed always loved you, just havent seen you in a while may god warp his arms around ya,Il always amen.



carol cummings - February 07, 2021 at 04:50 PM

ME

“ Manning, Edna, and John Ellis purchased the Eur opean Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Mary Ellen Newman Gray.



Manning, Edna, and John Ellis - February 07, 2021 at 02:54 PM



“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Mary Ellen Newman Gray.



February 07, 2021 at 01:39 PM



“ Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Mary Ellen Newman Gray.



February 07, 2021 at 12:20 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Mary Ellen Newman Gray.*



February 07, 2021 at 11:47 AM



“ *Love's Embrace Roses – White was purchased for the family of Mary Ellen Newman Gray.*



February 07, 2021 at 10:05 AM



“ *Thoughts and prayers for the family at this difficult time*

patricia higgs - February 07, 2021 at 08:24 AM



“ *Rob, Kerri, Tommy, Sandra and the Gray family, Offering my sincere condolences to the family at this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you.*



Shirley Williams Thorn - February 06, 2021 at 10:29 PM

EH

“ I will miss Mary Ellen Gray! She was a sweetheart, but now I know she is happy being with her love, Johnny. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.



Eva Hollowell - February 06, 2021 at 09:29 PM



“ Mrs. Mary Ellen was such a sweetheart. Always a kind word anytime you saw her. My thoughts and prayers to your family. She will be missed.

Debbie Webb - February 06, 2021 at 06:56 PM

CF

“ Thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this very difficult time

Carol Robertson Family - February 06, 2021 at 02:21 PM

LK

“ Libby Krablin lit a candle in memory of Mary Ellen Newman Gray



Libby Krablin - February 06, 2021 at 02:20 PM

PH

“ Patricia Higgs lit a candle in memory of Mary Ellen Newman Gray



Patricia Higgs - February 06, 2021 at 01:55 PM



“ Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Mary Ellen Newman Gray.



February 06, 2021 at 01:42 PM

FN

“ To all of her dear children and family...
I met Mary Ellen and got acquainted with her in 1966 when we both were young single Mothers with children to raise and care for. She was and has always been someone that I admired and considered as a friend. In the following years as all our children grew and became adults and some became and still remain very close friends, I want you to know that I count all of you as a beautiful testament to her.

You are who you are because of who she was. I will be praying for all of you as you mourn her departure from this life.

Frances Nichols

Frances Nichols - February 06, 2021 at 01:01 PM