



Marsha Bledsoe

July 3, 1960 - July 24, 2022

IN MEMORY OF:

Marsha Bledsoe

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – TAMMS

420 Front Street, Tamms, Illinois

Marsha Bledsoe, 62, of rural Tamms passed away Sunday, July 24th 2022 at her home following an extended illness.

Marsha was born July 3rd 1960, the daughter of Charles J. and Emma Dell Bennett. Marsha spent her early years growing up in Pulaski County in the Spencer Heights and Villa Ridge neighborhoods. She attended grade school at Thistlewood School in Mounds and Middle School at Titus School in Mounds. In 1974 her family moved to Tamms and she spent her high school years at Egyptian High School where she graduated in 1978. In 1980 she graduated from Cape Business College with a degree as a Legal Secretary.

On June 7, 1980 she married Lex Bledsoe. To this union two sons were born. Brandon Allen in 1984, and Blake Andrew in 1992. Her two boys were her pride and joy and the light of her life. Marsha was a loving wife, mother, daughter, sister and friend. She was an honest, cheerful, caring person with a

great sense of humor. She never talked about people negatively and was a friend to anyone in need.

Marsha held several secretarial positions during her working career, she worked as a legal secretary, was office manager for Bulk Service Co. (now ADM grain) and held various other secretarial positions until health problems forced her to quit working. She also worked with her father in the real estate business for many years and worked with her father, husband, and uncle, Jack Bennett in the auction business for many years. Marsha attended The First Baptist Church in Tamms. She loved people, animals, frogs and turtles. She enjoyed collecting antiques and knick knacks, listening to music and wading in creeks. She was somewhat of a packrat but in a good way. She liked being in the country, taking drives and travelling. Over the years she was able to take many trips with her family and her husband. She was always cheerful and had fun wherever she went and whoever she was with.

Marsha is survived by her husband of 42 years, her sons Brandon (Mandi Clover) of Olive Branch, Blake (Liz Hartman) of Carbondale, her Mother Emma Dell Bennett, 2 Brothers, Roger Bennett of Tamms and Edward G. (Deana) Bennett of rural Mounds, Sister-in-law Cynthia Adams of Cape Girardeau, Brother-in-law Kim Bledsoe of Olive Branch, Nieces Bridgett Wheeler of Cape Girardeau and Tiffany Adams of Elco, Nephew Seth Bennett of Tamms. She is also survived by her dear friends and soul sisters Mary Ellen Schlamer and Karen Worthington who were with her until the end and her beloved dog Roxy. Survivors also include many cousins, aunts, uncles and other relatives and friends.

Marsha was preceded in death by her Father Charles Bennett, Father-in-law and Mother-in-law Roy and Bernice Bledsoe, Sister-in-law Jackie Bledsoe, Grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Marsha was loved by everyone who knew her and will be greatly missed by

all.

Visitation will be held Thursday July 28, 2022 at Crain Funeral Home in Tamms from 8:30 A.M until 11:00 A.M. Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 A.M. with the Reverend Bob Kirby officiating. Interment will be at the Olive Branch cemetery. There will be food served at the Olive Branch Community Building following the services.

In Lieu of flowers Marsha requested that donations be made to The American Cancer Society, St. Jude's Children's Hospital, the Shriners Hospital or charity of your choice.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Crain Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Olive Branch Cemetery

Olive Branch, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 28. 8:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Crain Funeral Home - Tamms
420 Front St.
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Funeral Service

JUL 28. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Interment

JUL 28 (CT)

Olive Branch Cemetery
Olive Branch, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Marsha Bledsoe*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Tim and Carla Sissom*



Tim and Carla Sissom - July 27, 2022 at 07:33 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Lex and all the family. Marsha was a beautiful lady and always had a smile on her face and fun to be around. May she rest in peace and forever remain in your hearts.*

Morrissa Clanahan - July 26, 2022 at 05:00 PM



“ *Morrissa Clanahan lit a candle in memory of Marsha Bledsoe*



Morrissa Clanahan - July 26, 2022 at 04:55 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

Carol & Randy George - July 26, 2022 at 04:38 PM

PC

“ *Paul Carlson purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Marsha Bledsoe.*



Paul Carlson - July 26, 2022 at 07:46 AM

TW

“ *Tammy Whiteside lit a candle in memory of Marsha Bledsoe*



Tammy Whiteside - July 26, 2022 at 07:27 AM

SP

“ *Sheila Pearman lit a candle in memory of Marsha Bledsoe*



Sheila Pearman - July 26, 2022 at 06:27 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marsha Bledsoe.*



July 25, 2022 at 10:31 PM

WH

“ Wayne and Dawn Henderson purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Marsha Bledsoe.



Wayne and Dawn Henderson - July 25, 2022 at 08:01 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Marsha Bledsoe.



July 25, 2022 at 07:42 PM

TS

“ Teresa Stiff lit a candle in memory of Marsha Bledsoe



Teresa Stiff - July 25, 2022 at 07:25 PM

KS

“ Kenny & Teresa Stiff lit a candle in memory of Marsha Bledsoe



Kenny & Teresa Stiff - July 25, 2022 at 07:23 PM