



## Mrs. Kay Richardson Lee

June 2, 1943 - June 22, 2015

Joan Karene (Kay) Nix Richardson Lee, 72, was called by The Lord to her eternal home on June 22, 2015.

She is survived by her mother, Virginia Nix Jordan; daughter, Kathy (Blair) West; grandchildren, Abbey and Carter West; sister, Annette (Hugh) Willingham; brother, Jeff (Nancy) Nix; husband of the past seven years, Wallace Lee; stepsons, Chris (Jena) Lee and Mike Lee; step grandson, Matt Lee and sister-in-law Joyce (CD) Hawkins. She is also survived by nieces, Kristen (John) Bedwell & Gina (David) Rains and nephews, Greg (Ramona) Willingham, Mark Willingham, Josh (Candice) Nix and David (Maria) Hawkins as well as four great nieces, eight great nephews, numerous cousins and many dear friends. She is preceded in death by Bill Richardson, her husband of 44 years and her father, Denford Nix.

Kay was born in Horton and raised in Gadsden, graduating from Emma Sansom High School in 1961. She worked for the Alabama Cooperative Extension System's Etowah County Office for 25 years where she touched the lives of many through the "Diet's Our Thing" and "Today's Mom" programs. She served her community over the years through the Etowah County Homemakers Club, Girl Scout Troop 617, the 4-H Club and Master Gardeners. Kay was a member of Meadowbrook Baptist Church, where she traveled to the Dominican Republic with the mission team in 2011 and enjoyed

serving others locally through the Open Hands ministry. Her family and friends were her greatest loves, second only to her love of The Lord and in living her life to fulfill His purpose.

Funeral will be 4 p.m. Thursday, June 25, 2015, at Village Chapel. The Reverends Randy Gunter and Roger Wilmore will officiate. The family will receive friends from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Burial will be held at Williams Southside Memorial Park following the service. Village Chapel Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers will be John Bedwell, Josh Nix, Blair West, Carter West, Greg Willingham and Mark Willingham.

The family would like to express sincere gratitude to the medical teams at Gadsden Regional, UAB neuro ICU and Noland Hospital as well as Dr. Jason Ayres, Amy McGlaughn, CRNP, Dr. Stephen Higgins and the countless number of friends who have supported the family through prayer and deed this year during her extended illness and progression of dementia.

# Cemetery Details

**Williams Southside Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

**JUN 25.** 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Village Chapel Funeral Home  
101 Vandell Blvd  
Gadsden, AL 35904  
(256) 547-5557  
<https://villagechapelfuneralhome.com>

### Service

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# Tribute Wall

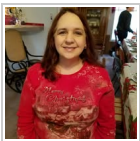


“ *Jacqueline Growden lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Kay Richardson Lee*



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**Jacqueline Growden** - June 25, 2015 at 08:48 PM



“ *I was in girl scouts with Kathy and her mother was one of the Troup leaders. She was a sweet and patient women. We had a good time with her and Mrs. Martin as our leadrrs.*

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**Jacqueline Growden** - June 25, 2015 at 08:46 PM

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“ *So sorry to learn of Karene' passing. She was a very sweet and nice person. We graduated together. Her family is in my thoughts and prayers. Charlotte Blanton Dobbins. ESHS Class of 61.*

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**Charlotte Blanton Dobbins. ESHS 61** - June 25, 2015 at 07:07 PM

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*“ I am so surprised and saddened by this event. We shall all miss Karene. She has been an eternal presence in the Strickland family from her birth until now and I'm sure the wonderful memories of our times together will continue to comfort each of us. Virginia and Annette, your family has always held a special place in our hearts. May God grant you comfort and peace during these moments. To the rest of Karene's family and friends, although I don't know you, I am pleased that you got to share Karene's life. God Bless You All, Gordon Strickland, on behalf of all our family.*

**Gordon Douglas Strickland** - June 25, 2015 at 12:50 PM

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*“ 1 file added to the tribute wall*



**Charles Hawkins** - June 24, 2015 at 05:35 PM

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*Bill and Kay at River Fest one year.*

**Charles Hawkins** - June 24, 2015 at 05:36 PM

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*“ She was so very special to me. If I missed the bus she would let me ride with Kathy and she made sure I had breakfast. Just an amazing sweet Mom to a lot of us girl's rest now your journey is done Love you so much.*



**Tammy Lankford Crawford.** - June 24, 2015 at 12:22 PM

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“ *The Royers - Audrey, Eugene, Rebecca, Rachel and Brandon purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Mrs. Kay Richardson Lee.*



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**The Royers - Audrey, Eugene, Rebecca, Rachel and Brandon**  
- June 24, 2015 at 08:55 AM