



## LOU JEAN DRAKE

March 14, 1929 - September 14, 2023

Lou Jean Drake grew up in Oak Grove, Alabama. She married the love of her life, Clarence T. "Cotton" Drake, Sr., on June 22, 1946. She was a business owner and loving mother. She loved the outdoors; especially fishing and hunting. She was an awesome "Nanny" to her grandchildren. She worked for the family business as a secretary and bookkeeper until the age of 93. She will be missed by all.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence T. "Cotton" Drake, Sr.; and parents, Willie Herman Franklin and Sula Geneva Walden Franklin.

She is survived by her daughter, Sylvia Lynn McBride (Bruce); son, C.T. Drake, Jr. (Londa); grandchildren, Shawn Hastings, Thomas Drake; and great-grandchildren, Tori Hastings and Bre Hastings.

The visitation will be from 9:30 AM until 10:15 AM, Saturday, September 16, 2023, at Peoples Chapel Funeral Home. The graveside service will be at 11:00 AM at Oak Grove Baptist Church Cemetery, Bessemer, Alabama.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Family : I just saw Jean's obituary today. She was a nice person and I always enjoyed talking to her about Oak Grove . My Sympathy to you all. Susie Raney*

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**Susie Raney** - September 23, 2023 at 07:16 PM

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“ *Jean, whenever I had an opportunity to visit with you at the shop, I thoroughly enjoyed talking with you and listening to your words of wisdom about life in general. The love you had for C. Thomas was so unconditional and how you would just smile whenever you spoke of your grandchildren, I saw you loved each and every one of them in your own way. And I remember you would always say, "That Thomas he is a good Boy", I could see how proud you were of Thomas and all your children and grandchildren. R.I.P, Jean you will be missed. Go fly high with Papa!!!!*

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**Lisa Haynes** - September 14, 2023 at 04:10 PM