



Norma Jean Coats

July 13, 1933 - August 25, 2023

Norma Jean Coats, a beloved homemaker and gardening enthusiast, passed away on August 25, 2023, in Columbia, TN,. Born in Kingston, NH, on July 13, 1933, Norma lived a life filled with love, joy, and the beauty of nature.

Norma was the cherished daughter of the late Florence Rollins Barrett and Raymond Barrett. She was a beacon of love and warmth, known for her nurturing spirit and her unwavering devotion to her family. Norma is survived by her husband, Samuel Coats Jr., her loving son, Richard (Melissa) Sears of Brentwood, TN, and her caring daughter, Cyndi (Robert) Crigler of Inglewood, FL.

A proud grandmother, Norma's love extended to her five grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. She had a unique way of making each one feel special and loved. Her legacy of love will live on through the generations, a testament to her enduring spirit and her commitment to family.

As a homemaker, Norma was known for creating a home that was warm, welcoming, and filled with love. She was a skilled cook and a gracious hostess, always eager to open her home to family and friends. She was the heart of her family, providing love, guidance, and support in every way she could.

In addition to her family, Norma had a passion for gardening and the outdoors. She found joy in the simple beauty of nature and spent countless hours tending to her beautiful garden. Her love for the outdoors was infectious, and she often shared this passion with her family and friends.

Norma Jean Coats will be remembered as a devoted wife, loving mother, proud grandmother, and passionate gardener. Her legacy of love, family, and passion for nature will live on in the hearts of her family and friends. She will be deeply missed but forever remembered.

There will be a memorial service on September 11, 2023 at Gowen-Smith Chapel from 4:00pm-7:00pm to honor the life of Norma Jean Coats

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