



## Gela M. Merritt

September 18, 1929 - August 24, 2013

Mrs. Gela M Merritt, age 83, of Tullahoma, Tennessee passed away, Saturday, August 24, 2013 at the Golden Living Center in Winchester. Graveside Services will be held Wednesday, August 28, 2013 at 2:00 PM at Concord Cemetery with Bro. Jack Hice officiating. Visitation with the family will be Tuesday, August 27 from 5 – 8 PM at Daves-Culbertson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Merritt, a native of Nashville, TN, was the daughter of the late Jamie B. and Gela Louise Lane Wells. She graduated from Hume-Fogg High School in Nashville and later moved to Tullahoma where she worked for South Central Bell and the Readmore Book Store. She enjoyed square dancing and flower gardening. She loved spending time with her children and grandchildren and her cats, "Bonnie and Clyde".

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, James R. Merritt who passed away in 1981 and two brothers, Burton and Ted Wells.

She is survived by one son, James Donald Merritt of Tullahoma; one daughter, Loretta Cooper of Tullahoma; one brother, William Morris Wells and his wife, Dora Lee of Tullahoma; one sister, Mae Skaggs of Streator, Ill.; three brother-in-laws, Dewey Merritt and his wife, Mary of North Carolina, Floyd Merritt and his wife, Betty of Tullahoma and Robert Kilgore of Murfreesboro; two sister-in-laws, Mary Louise Wells of Tullahoma and Margaret Merritt of Chicago; special daughter-in-law, Kathy Merritt of Atlanta, GA; three grandchildren, Angela Sawyer and her husband, Jack of Boston, Massachusetts, Marshall Cooper and his girlfriend, Adrian Drummond of Tullahoma and Peyton Cooper of Manchester; one great grandson, John "Jack" Sawyer and another great grandson expected in October and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and loving friends.

Online condolences may be made at [www.davesculbertsonfuneralhome.com](http://www.davesculbertsonfuneralhome.com).

Daves-Culbertson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Concord Cemetery

Tullahoma, TN

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 27. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Daves-Culbertson Funeral Home  
401 N Jackson Street  
Tullahoma, TN 37388  
(931) 455-3481

## Graveside Service

AUG 28. 2:00 PM (CT)

Concord Cemetery  
Tullahoma, TN

# Tribute Wall



“ Daves-Culbertson Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gela M. Merritt



Daves-Culbertson Funeral Home - August 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Gela M. Merritt

January 25, 2023 at 12:28 AM



“ Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Gela M. Merritt.



August 26, 2013 at 07:22 PM



“ Michael M. purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of Gela M. Merritt.



Michael M. - August 26, 2013 at 08:32 AM



“ Donnie and Loretta, you took such good care of your mother. She was a special lady.

Sandra Wells - August 25, 2013 at 11:25 PM

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“ *Donnie and Loretta, you have taken such good care of Gela. She was a special person.*

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**Sandra Wells** - August 25, 2013 at 11:12 PM

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“ *While I am sorry for your loss, I am thinking today of Gela reunited with your Dad, who she loved so much and has missed for so long.*



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**Kathy Merritt** - August 25, 2013 at 02:58 PM