



## Fannie Lou Bates

November 25, 1950 - August 18, 2025

Mrs. Fannie Lou Bates, daughter of the late Leon and the late Willow Dean Abernathy, was born on November 25, 1950, in Russellville, Alabama. She departed this walk of life on August 18, 2025, at her residence surrounded by family and friends.

Fannie was a member of College Avenue First Baptist Church where she sang in the choir, worked on the Baptizing Committee and also worked on the Kitchen Committee. She was an employee of H.D. Lee for many years. She was also a member of Golden Chapter #16 Order of Eastern Star.

Fannie was preceded in death by her loving husband, Wash Bates, the love of her life.

Her memories will be cherished by her 3 children, daughter Mary (Robert) Hillman of Russellville, son Elder (Patrice) Bates and daughter, Selma (Andrew) Armstead, both of Tusculumbia, who loved her dearly; her loving grandchildren, Evodnee, Anquinette (Larry), Derell, Jermaine (Heather), Tanesha (Demarius), Kwamisha, Isiah, Addy, Jazlyn, Constance, Sir and Jah; a host of great-grandchildren; and one special sister-in-law Cardelia (Jack) Dale.

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery

Russellville, AL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 23. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

First Missionary Baptist Church College Avenue  
Russellville, AL 35653

## Funeral Service

AUG 23. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Deepest Sympathy to the Family.*



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**Joyce Nelson** - August 21, 2025 at 05:51 PM



“ *Prayers to my family. We love you. Fannie Lou*

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**DeeMo Abernathy** - August 21, 2025 at 03:03 PM

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“ *Mary Dean, Elder and Selma  
my heart is broken for you all today. Ms.  
Fannie was a very sweet lady and I'm praying  
that God grants you supernatural strength  
and comfort during this very difficult time. I  
love you Guys!!!*



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**Tonya Beck** - August 21, 2025 at 02:28 PM