



## Ernestine Collins Brantley

April 26, 1938 - May 23, 2025

Ernestine Collins Brantley, age 87, of Milledgeville, GA, passed away May 23, 2025 at her residence. Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, May 29, 11:00 AM at Pleasant Plains Primitive Baptist Church with Brother Michael Hataway and Brother Gary Hall officiating. Interment will follow at Pleasant Plains Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery. The family will receive friends Wednesday evening 5:00-7:00 PM at Williams Funeral Home and Crematory of Milledgeville.

A native of Wilkinson County, Ernestine was the daughter of the late Ernest W. Collins and Lillie Pearl Collins and was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Frank "Bubba" Brantley; brothers, David Collins, James Collins, and Roger Collins. She lived most of her life in Baldwin County and was a retired LPN from CSH. Ernestine loved to travel to New Mexico to visit her sons and her church family at Fairview Primitive Baptist Church in Clovis, NM. She was a lifetime member of Pleasant Plains Primitive Baptist Church.

Ernestine is survived by her daughter, Christa Wheeler (Timothy), of Eatonton; sons, Stanley Grant Rich (Maryann), of Albuquerque, NM, Willis Emory Rich (Adela), of Clovis, NM; sister, Lillie Rose Barton (Will), of Dudley; brother, Floyd Collins (Mary Ann), of Columbus; 10 grandchildren, 4 great-grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Those desiring may make donations in the name of Ernestine Brantley to Pleasant Plains Baptist Church.

Williams Funeral Home and Crematory of Milledgeville in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Pleasant Plains Primitive Baptist Church

Irwinton, GA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 28. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Williams Funeral Home & Crematory - Milledgeville  
1670 N. Jefferson St.  
Milledgeville, GA 31061  
(478) 452-2148  
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## Funeral

MAY 29. 11:00 AM.

Pleasant Plains Primitive Baptist Church  
Irwinton, GA

# Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Funeral Services*



**Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory** - May 29, 2025 at 03:55 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.  
*Luther and Berta and Friends at Johnnie  
McDade Grocery*



**Luther Minor** - May 29, 2025 at 10:04 AM



“ 63 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory** - May 28, 2025 at 03:22 PM

WF

“ Ernestine was such a wonderful Christian lady...and raised such a sweet daughter (Crysta)! It was a blessing to work with her at the Ga. War Veterans Home. We sure will miss her coming to our annual reunions! May she RIP. Psalm116:15. Praying for all her sweet family. 🙏🙏🙏



Wilder, Sandra Frankin - May 26, 2025 at 08:57 PM

JR

“ I am so sorry for the family's loss. Although I didn't really know her, she was a distant cousin. I heard Daddy speak of her. My thoughts and prayers will be with you all during this time of loss. Sincerely, Janice Yarbrough Ricks

Janice Ricks - May 26, 2025 at 07:57 PM

LI

“ I did not have the pleasure of knowing Mrs Earnestine however, I do know her daughter very well and she raised a sweet, hard working lady!

Lindie - May 26, 2025 at 06:15 PM

JM

“ So sorry about Ernestine. She was my cousin through the Yarbrough side of the family. I have known her my entire life. She was a very sweet lady and will be missed. Love and sympathy to her family. Joann Yarbrough Miazga

Joann Miazga - May 26, 2025 at 04:44 PM

IN

“ Floyd, so sorry to hear about Ernestine. Knew her from our dental office. Always so sweet and pleasant. Our thought and prayers are with you and your family at this time.

Imogene and W.B. NeSmith - May 26, 2025 at 04:15 PM

BM

“ Ernestine was my sweet sister-in-law. I loved her very much and will miss her.

Becky Brantley Martin - May 26, 2025 at 03:41 PM

JH

“ Ernestine was a great Christian lady. I worked with her as a nurse several times through the years. She loved her family above all next God. My condolences too her children and family.



JoAnn Hartley - May 25, 2025 at 02:42 PM

VK

“ MawMaw wasn't my mama but she always treated me with great kindness and gentleness as though I was one of her own. She will always be in my memory and ❤️. Thank you for sharing her with me.

Virginia K - May 25, 2025 at 02:38 PM

LC

“ Did not know this sweet lady just wanted to tell the Family how sorry I am for your lost. God Bless you all . God needed a new ANGEL and she will always be with you. Sending Prayers and Comforting Hugs



linda s cheeves - May 25, 2025 at 01:32 PM

DP

“ Ernestine has been in my life for most of my life. She was related to a sister-in-law, then I worked closely with her for several years at the Veterans Home. My prayers, my sincerest condolences to her children, her family. May God cover you all in peace in the days, weeks ahead.



Dianne Parker - May 25, 2025 at 08:35 AM

JW

She was always a delight at the Ollie's Reunions. She loved us all. God bless all of you.

Joe and Janet Watson - May 26, 2025 at 07:21 PM

DC

We are so sorry for your loss. May God's peace be with you and lift you in this time of sorrow. We love you Christa and Tim

Denise Channell - May 26, 2025 at 09:05 PM