



Barbara "Bobbie" Jean Hurst

May 29, 1943 - May 20, 2023

Barbara "Bobbie" Jean Hurst, age 79, of Alix, Arkansas, passed away, Saturday, May 20, 2023, in Fort Smith. She was born May 29, 1943 in Clarksville, Arkansas to Bill and Margaret Simpson Sawitsky. Bobbie was of the Methodist faith. She was owner and operator of Hurst Farms and Produce and Gift Shop and a Homemaker. She was a member of the Houston Cemetery Association and Alix Community Center. She loved growing flowers, working in the yard, and won many awards with her parade floats and Christmas decorations. Bobbie is preceded in death by her parents; and one daughter, Leslie Anne Hurst.

Bobbie is survived by her husband, Donald "Duck" R. Hurst of Alix; two sons, Ricky Hurst and wife Susan and Randy Hurst all of Alix; one brother, Billy Joe Sawitsky and wife Dana of Alix; six grandchildren; and seven great grandchildren.

Funeral service will be 2:00 P.M., Friday, May 26, 2023 at Shaffer Funeral Home 2315 West Commercial in Ozark, with Brother Lonnie Turner officiating, with burial at Houston Cemetery in Alix, Arkansas, under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers will be Jacob Hurst, Erick Hurst, Joey Hurst, Bradley Hurst, B.J. Huffstetler, and Colton Cagle. Serving as honorary pallbearers will

be Pete Oquest, Matt Sawitsky, Truman Phillips, Raymond Becker, Eddie McCormick, Bryan McCormick, Johnny Mitchell, and Eric Turner.

To leave an online memorial visit www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com

Cemetery Details

Houston Cemetery

Alix, AR 72820

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAY **26**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Shaffer Funeral Home
2315 West Commercial Street
PO Box 680
Ozark, AR 72949
(479) 667-4147
shafferfuneralhome@gmail.com

Burial

MAY **26** (CT)

Houston Cemetery
Alix, AR 72820

Tribute Wall



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Barbara "Bobbie" Jean Hurst.*



May 26, 2023 at 09:16 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Slideshow*



Shaffer Home - May 25, 2023 at 03:06 PM



“ *Bobbie came to my portrait studio in September of 1986. I was just getting settled in as a portrait and wedding photographer and she made my lack of experience and simple backgrounds look good. When I saw the photo used in the obituary, I was deeply touched, because I immediately recognized that I had taken that picture. I would like to thank the family for choosing my photo as a tribute to Bobbie.*

Rick Altes - May 25, 2023 at 01:49 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Barbara "Bobbie" Jean Hurst.*



May 25, 2023 at 12:37 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Barbara "Bobbie" Jean Hurst.*



May 25, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Barbara "Bobbie" Jean Hurst.*

May 25, 2023 at 09:26 AM



“ *All my love to the sweet Hurst family. I loved Bobbie dearly and will always remember the incredible hard work she put in to stay strong.*

Randi McCann - May 24, 2023 at 09:35 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Barbara "Bobbie" Jean Hurst.*



May 24, 2023 at 07:21 PM

BB

“ *Deepest sympathy to the Hurst family and all who knew her. She was a beautiful soul. Rest in peace, friend.*

Brenda Brown - May 24, 2023 at 03:04 PM

HF

“ *Hembree Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Barbara "Bobbie" Jean Hurst.*



Hembree Family - May 24, 2023 at 12:05 PM

IJ

“ *Lost a good friend from high school. Many good memories. Rest In Peace, Bobbie.*

Irene Rinke Jones - May 24, 2023 at 12:05 PM

MS

“ *Thoughts and prayers for peace and comfort for all the Hurst family at this difficult time. May she Rest in Peace.*

Marcia Schluterman

Marcia Schluterman - May 24, 2023 at 10:26 AM

NN

“ *Bobbie was a best friend since junior high school. She was one of a kind, beautiful inside and out. Even though miles divided us for most our our adult years, we stayed in touch. When we did get to visit, time dissolved as we both spoke at the same time sharing about our lives and memories of days gone by. Rest in peace, my friend. Love, Nan*

Nan Nelson - May 23, 2023 at 06:35 PM

LZ

“ *Wherever a beautiful soul has been, there is a trail of beautiful memories.*

Linda Zolliecoffer - May 23, 2023 at 06:30 PM

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SF

“ *My prayers are with you guys she was the best and such a wonderful friend and neighbor*

Sharon Farnam - May 23, 2023 at 05:37 PM

TO

“ *She had the most beautiful personality, soul and a beautiful woman that I had ever meet . Sending prayers for Duck, and all the family may God give you comfort thought this difficult time.*

Tammy Bohannon, Arthur Owens - May 23, 2023 at 01:38 PM

CP

*We are offering prayers of love and peace to all family and friends. May your cherished memories bring you comfort always.
Charlie and Dana Plugge and Family*

Charles Plugge - May 25, 2023 at 09:33 AM