



Connie Embry

June 11, 1961 - May 30, 2025

Connie Embry was born on June 11, 1961, in Sylacauga, Alabama, to the cherished union of David Smith, Sr. and Ethel Lee Thomas Smith. Her life, a tapestry woven with faith, love, and kindness, touched the lives of all who knew her and her journey on this earth has left an indelible mark on the lives of those who were blessed to have known her.

Connie's unwavering faith in God was the foundation of her life. She united with the Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church at a young age, where she faithfully served her congregation with a devout spirit, contributing her talents to the kitchen committee and sharing her melodious voice as a member of the choir. A proud graduate of Sylacauga High School, Class of 1980, she devoted herself to her community as a talented beautician, cake designer, and baker. Connie's culinary creations-especially her lovingly crafted cakes for birthdays, anniversaries, and weddings-were a joyful testament to her nurturing nature. In her early years, she worked as a seamstress for Russell Mills, and later, she served as a skilled child nutritionist in the cafeteria at B.B. Comer Memorial High School, where her dedication and compassion for children shone brightly until her retirement.

Beyond her professional accomplishments, Connie was a radiant beacon of joy and warmth. Her infectious smile and enthusiastic spirit illuminated the lives of family and friends alike. Known for her love of dancing and

celebration, she found immense joy in traveling with her girl's group and entertaining those she held dear. Connie shared a bond unlike any other with her twin brother, Ronnie, creating a lifelong friendship filled with laughter and support.

As a devoted mother, Connie cherished her role as the loving matriarch of her family. Her heart was especially full for her precious "Nanny Babies," Zakorien and Ziyah, relishing in the joy they brought her and with whom she created countless joyful memories that will forever echo in their hearts.

Connie Embry, a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister, aunt, and friend, was peacefully called to her eternal home at the age of 63 on Friday evening, May 30, 2025 while under the compassionate care of Grandview Medical Center in Birmingham, Alabama with her beloved family at her side. Connie is now reunited with her parents, David Smith, Sr. and Ethel Lee Smith, husband, Ronnie Embry, two brothers, Billy Smith and David Smith, Jr.; and three sisters, Barbara Duffey, Frances Garrett, and Cathy Smith.

Connie leaves a legacy of love and fun memories to forever be cherished by her loving and devoted daughters, Christina Heard, Kacey (Kortney Chambliss) Heard, and Tieuanekia Dates; two grandchildren, Zakorien Chambliss and Ziyah Chambliss; six bonus grandchildren, Jaylen Dates, Jordan Dates, Jamia Averett, and Jhazline Dates, Fre'draun McGregor and Zakiya McGinnis; two bonus great-grandchildren, J'Mirian Russ and J'Ream Russ; three brothers, Michael (Carla Oglesby) Smith, Leon (Pamela Stamps) Smith, and Ronnie (Dinese) Smith; brother-in-law, Pastor Raymond Garrett; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

May we all find comfort in the memories shared and the love that Connie brought into our lives. She will forever be remembered for her kind heart and

gentle spirit, leaving an unforgettable mark on all who knew her. Connie Embry's memory will continue to inspire and uplift all who had the honor of knowing her. Let us gather to celebrate a life well-lived, a love deeply felt, and a spirit that will forever shine brightly in our hearts. Rest in eternal peace our dearly beloved, Connie Embry.

Cemetery Details

Hatchett Springs Worship Center

2101 Coosa County Road 111
Goodwater, AL 35072

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUN 6. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Home Chapel
217 Coosa St. East
Talladega, AL 35160

Celebration of Life

JUN 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Rising Star Baptist Church
319 West Park Street
Sylacauga, AL 35150

Tribute Wall

RJ

“ Prayers to Family.
Reese and Lorine Jordan Jr.



Reeseand Lorine Jordan Jr. - June 08, 2025 at 10:05 PM

TL

“ I will forever miss you. I love you momma!! 🥺🥺🥺

Tieuanekia Dates I - June 08, 2025 at 05:02 AM

PH

“ Sending our condolences to our cousins, Christina and Kacey.
Rest in love Connie, we will miss you.
Pam , Siera and the Heard family

Pamela Heard - June 07, 2025 at 01:06 PM

KT

“ Sending my condolences to my Sylacauga Alabama family and my dear first cousin Connie and family. May you continue to rest in peace! A beautiful angel 🙏 in heaven gates!! Happy heavenly birthday cousin. We share the Gemini world 🌍 Love your California first cousin, Kimberly Thomas from marin city, ca.

Kimberly Thomas - June 07, 2025 at 02:30 AM

DW

“ A word of comfort for the Smith family.

Words cannot explain the hurt you are feeling right now. I can feel your frustration and pain but I know God will give you the strength you will need to get through this time.

My deepest sympathy goes out to all the family as you struggle through the grief and sadness of the loss of your beloved sister (Connie). Words cannot begin to express the sadness you are feeling right now.

There are things that we don't want to happen but have to accept, things we don't want to know but have to learn, and people we can't live without but have to let go. Although there are no words to ease your pain, remember that she is now in heaven, in God's loving arms where she is in peace.

May the angels walk with you on this day, and hold and keep you until the pain goes away.

Saying I'm sorry seems so hollow with a loss as great as yours. One of the storms of life that we all must face is the loss of someone dear to our hearts. I am very sorry you are facing one of these storms now. When you speak of her speak not with tears; for thoughts of her should not be sad. Let memories of the times you shared give you comfort; for her life was rich because of you.

Stay strong and know that you are remembered in our thoughts and prayers.

Deacon Roger Wood

Deacon Roger Wood - June 07, 2025 at 01:41 AM

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Deacon Roger Wood - June 07, 2025 at 01:38 AM

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Deacon Roger Wood - June 07, 2025 at 01:35 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Connie Embry.*



June 06, 2025 at 01:59 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Connie Embry.

June 06, 2025 at 01:59 PM



“ *MaryRuth Holtzclaw (Hunt) lit a candle in memory of Connie Embry*



MaryRuth Holtzclaw (Hunt) - June 06, 2025 at 12:17 PM



Ronnie, Dinese, Beloved Daughters & Entire Smith Family. Be comforted in knowing that her dear soul now rests eternally in the arms of the Almighty and Blessed Savior! Love, prayers & condolences! MaryRuth (Holtzclaw) Hunt & Family of Yonkers, NY

MaryRuth Holtzclaw (Hunt) - June 06, 2025 at 12:26 PM

CH

“ *Chris Hughes lit a candle in memory of
Connie Embry*



Chris Hughes - June 06, 2025 at 09:18 AM

MB

“ *Martha Barnes lit a candle in memory of
Connie Embry*



Martha Barnes - June 03, 2025 at 12:43 PM

MJ

“ *Margaret Hughes- Jackson lit a candle in
memory of Connie Embry*



Margaret Hughes- Jackson - June 02, 2025 at 09:00 AM

HM

“ *Helen Young Millender lit a candle in memory
of Connie Embry*



Helen Young Millender - June 02, 2025 at 08:48 AM

CS

“ Chandra Swain lit a candle in memory of
Connie Embry



Chandra Swain - May 31, 2025 at 07:00 PM