



## Eva Lila Ann Heard

June 1, 1939 - January 5, 2025

Eva Lila Ann Hill Heard was born to her loving parents, Robert G. Hill and Annie Higgins Hill, on June 1, 1939, in Cragford, Alabama. Eva accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior at an early age at Shiloh Baptist Church in Cragford, Alabama. In 1962, she united with Mount Olive Baptist Church in Heflin, Alabama where she remained a faithful member until she moved to Andalusia, Alabama in 2020. Allowing God to lead her, she later united with First Baptist Church on Whatley in Andalusia, Alabama.

Along life's journey, she met the love of her life, Crawford Heard, whom she loved and cherished. On June 28, 1957, they were united in holy matrimony and together, with love and compassion, they raised five children. Eva, a dedicated wife and an avid lover of gospel music, was always there to support her husband and cheer him on as he traveled and performed with the Southern Bells Gospel singers of Heflin, Alabama.

Eva was also a devoted homemaker and caregiver who poured her heart into her family. She was an excellent cook and will especially be remembered for her delicious fried chicken and pound cakes. When she hung up her apron, she eagerly passed down her cooking utensils to her granddaughters, ensuring her legacy of love would continue through generations. In her spare time, Eva enjoyed going to the Senior Centers in Heflin and Andalusia where she loved playing Mexican dominos.

Eva Hill Heard, a devoted woman of God, had a leak in her old building. But on Sunday, January 5, 2025, she bid farewell and moved to a building not made by man's hand and received a complete healing. She is preceded in death by her husband, Crawford Heard, daughter, Robin D. Dancy, parents, Robert and Annie Hill, and sisters, Laura Godwin and Fanny Hill.

Her memories will forever be cherished by her children, Linda Hayes of Hampton, Virginia, Cynthia Heard Brooks of Augusta, Georgia, Michael (Melisha) Heard of Andalusia, Alabama, and Crawford Mitchell (Holly) Heard of Jonesboro, Georgia; 13 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

As we gather to celebrate Eva Heard's life and legacy and to honor her loving and caring spirit, let us find comfort in knowing that her soul has found peace in the loving embrace of our Lord and Savior.

# Cemetery Details

## Heflin Memorial Cemetery

387 Haley Rd  
Heflin, AL 36264

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JAN **9**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Homes and Crematory- Anniston  
830 Noble Street  
Anniston, AL 36201

## Celebration of Life

JAN **11**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Ronda Mullins lit a candle in memory of Eva  
Lila Ann Heard*



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**Ronda Mullins** - January 11, 2025 at 07:21 PM

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“ *My deepest condolences to you and your family.*

*Rita E. Young  
Andalusia, Alabama*

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**Rita Young** - January 11, 2025 at 02:52 PM

FP

“ To Michael (Melishia) and the entire family of the late Mother Eva,

*You all are in my prayers during this time of loss. Mother Eva was truly an extraordinary woman of God, blessed with a remarkable spirit and a wonderful sense of humor. Her life was a testament to faith, love, and joy. May you find comfort in reflecting on all the beautiful memories you shared and in giving thanks for the legacy she has left behind.*

*As Scripture reminds us, "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" (1 Thessalonians 5:18). May the life that Mother Eva lived serve as a blueprint for us all, inspiring us to walk in faith and love as she did.*

*God bless you and strengthen you during this time.*

*Pledger & Pettway Families  
(Fannie & Chelsi)*

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**Fannie Pledger** - January 11, 2025 at 10:31 AM

MR

“ Sending prayers of comfort and strength to Michael and family during this difficult time and the days to come. Let your cherished memories be a constant reminder of the love Ms. Eva had for each of you. She will be missed.

*Our Deepest Sympathies,*

*The Robertson Family  
Richard, Michele & Mirenda*

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**Michele Robertson** - January 10, 2025 at 01:17 AM



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“ *Heaven has gained an Angel  
Rest in Heavenly Peace, Ms. Eva*



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**Donna Chairs Young** - January 08, 2025 at 11:56 AM

JH

*Rest In Peace my Friend ❤️ Sister Eva Heard. Josephine Hayes*

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**Josephine Hayes** - January 09, 2025 at 01:21 PM