



## Bama Jean Hopper Gross

January 25, 1931 - May 19, 2025

"It's important that when I stand before the Lord He says "well done good and faithful servant" I want to finish strong!" Without a shadow of a doubt we find comfort in knowing our loving mother, caring Mama Jean, loving grandmother and true friend, Jean Gross, age 94, heard those words we all long to hear one day, as she entered into her heavenly home at Tippah County Health and Rehab.

She was a member of Dumas Baptist Church. She was born January 25, 1931 in Tippah County. She was the daughter of William Hubert Hopper and Lois Tapp Hopper. She received her education throughout Tippah County as her family were share croppers. Jean was employed at Tippah County Hospital and Nursing Home for 25 years.

Her kindness, humor and dedication made the world feel a little brighter. She was always the one to take care of someone else. She always put other people before herself.

The family asked that you continue to lift them up in prayer and remember Mrs. Jean for her unconditional love and caring nature that touched many lives while she was here on Earth.

She was preceded in death by her husband: Edward Howell Gross; one

granddaughter: Shasta Paige Gross; one sister-in-law: Holland McKinnon; a host of nieces, nephews and cousins; her parents: William Hubert and Lois Tapp Hopper; five brothers: Leonzie, C.B., Bill Palmer "Pud" and W.L. Hopper; three sisters: Earline Wilbanks, Thelma Jones and Marie Rogers Hall.

Those left to cherish her memories are her only child: Ricky Gross (Cindy) of Dumas, MS; two granddaughters: Chrissy Martin Ferrell of Ripley, MS, Destiny Pannell (Trevor) of Dumas, MS; one grandson: John Martini of Alabama; four great-grandchildren: Isaac Copeland, Emersyn Ferrell, Trevor Pannell, Jr. (TJ) and Redington Pannell; three nephews: Jimmy Gross, James Rogers of Pottsboro, TX, Billy Hopper of Jackson, MS; five nieces: Zillah McKinnon King, Shirley Rose Russell (Curtis), Margie Bullock of Dumas, MS, Jean Smith of Tiplersville, MS, Virginia Patterson of Olive Branch; Mazie Gross as well as many friends and cousins.

Pallbearers: Trevor Pannell, Eric Barrett, Jimmy Walker, Phillip Miller, J.T. Hester, Bobby Jones.

Officiating: Rev. Doc Shelton and Trevor Pannell.

# Cemetery Details

## Pine Grove Cemetery

Dumas, MS 38625

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 21.** 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McBride Funeral Home, Inc.  
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## Visitation

**MAY 22.** 7:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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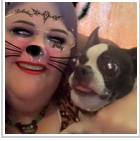
## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ Praying for Ricky and family



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**Marie Nichols** - May 22, 2025 at 09:24 AM

DP

“ So sorry for your loss. I was a ward clerk when you mother worked at the hospital. I always like working when she did because she was so kind.

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**Diane Peacock** - May 21, 2025 at 10:12 AM

CM

“ I loved Jean. She was one of the sweetest ladies I have ever known. Prayers for Rickey and the family. 💕

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**Cindy Miller** - May 21, 2025 at 02:19 AM

SB

“ Sally Bennett lit a candle in memory of Bama Jean Hopper Gross



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**Sally Bennett** - May 20, 2025 at 12:05 PM

JP

“ Praying that God will give you comfort during this time of sorrow. I will always remember how sweet and kind Mrs. Gross was to my grandmother when she was in the nursing home. She always took time from her work to visit with her and it always meant so very much to help her pass the time each day.

Jan George Parish - May 20, 2025 at 12:01 PM

CG

Jean Gross was such a sweetheart, always smiling and something uplifting to say, I loved her dearly, will miss her sweet spirit! Prayers for her precious Rick and family. RIP dear one!!!

Cricket Gresham - May 21, 2025 at 09:43 AM

JW

“ Praying for the family.



Joyce & Teressa Williams - May 19, 2025 at 09:23 PM

RS

“ Ruth Spires sent a virtual gift in memory of Bama Jean Hopper Gross



Ruth Spires - May 19, 2025 at 08:39 PM

DP

“ Best mamaw ever ❤️ See you again in a little while, Bama Jean!



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Destiny Pannell - May 19, 2025 at 08:01 PM