



Billie Ann Heard

March 27, 1947 - January 3, 2026

Billie Ann Taylor Heard received her heavenly body while sleeping in the early morning hours of January 3, 2026, at Union County Health and Rehab Hospice. Though she suffered so many illnesses in her body starting as a young adult, nobody had more fight to overcome what life threw at her than our Billie Anne. Crohn's disease tried to get her, but she pushed through. Failing kidney disease took a swing, but she pushed on; two broken hips thought they could put her under, but she and the Lord made those hips walk again. Broke neck, broke back, broke arm, heart valve replacement... She made them all get back to work. She had too many grandkids and great-grandkids she wanted to enjoy life with and love on. She taught all her family to never ever stop fighting... never give up!

About now, Billie has tried out her new pain free body, and she's settled down with a bowl of her mama's peach cobbler... the best blue ribbon winning cobbler in all of heaven. Her big brother Scotty once said she would never live to be an old woman... and she proved him wrong! I'm sure she's let him know by now she won while taking another bite of mama's cobbler! And Scottie probably said, "Yeah, but look at all you've been missing, Billie!"

Nobody loves Billie more than her husband of almost 62 years, James H. Heard. They met near Oxford, MS in 1962. James, also known as Mopsy, was just minding his own business when Billie spied a handsome fella driving a

shiny new baby blue Chevy convertible. Billie asked who's that in the convertible... someone said James Heard. Billie said, "Go get him!" and he was got ever since!

The two lived in and around Blue Mountain for most of their married lives and had two children, a daughter, Robin, and a son, Kerry. Then came 8 grandkids and 12 great-grands, and she would light up when any of her babies came around! Billie knew how to spoil them for sure!

Billie was raised Pentecostal and was a member of the Blue Mountain Pentecostal Church for most of her life. Later in life, when she didn't get out much, she would watch services online of Life Church of Tupelo. She enjoyed flowers, playing the piano, and nobody loved perfumes more than she did! She liked clothes, and we know CATO will miss her greatly. We hope they can stay afloat without her business!

Billie Anne's Home Going Service will be held at Blue Mountain Pentecostal Church at 10:30 am, Tuesday, January 6, 2026, with visitation from 9 am until the start of the service. Reverend Jeff Jones and Reverend Jay Carney will officiate the service. There will also be a visitation at McBride Funeral Home from 6-8 pm on Monday, January 5, 2026.

Billie was preceded in death by her parents, Bill and Pearl Taylor, brothers Lanny and Scotty Taylor, and sister-in-law Volene.

Those that survive and miss her are her husband, James Heard of Blue Mountain, son Kerry Heard (Debbie) of Blue Mountain, and daughter Robin Lee (Jeff) of Ingomar. Grandchildren, Keshia Carlisle (Bubba) of Ingomar, Kelly Hicks (Dave) of Ingomar, Kurt Sanders (Amanda) of Potts Camp, Reva Cheatwood of Potts Camp, Nathan Lee of Ingomar, Lauryn Cayson (Seth) of Guntown, Mason Lee (Grace) of Ingomar, and Madisyn Lee of Ingomar.

Great-grandchildren: Kilynn Smith (Joel) of Algoma, Kyndal Carlisle of Ingomar, Newt Carlisle of Ingomar, Caroline and Savannah Sanders of Potts Camp, Kaiyah Sanders of Potts Camp, Boone and Luke Hicks of Ingomar, Charly and Emersyn-Rose Cayson of Guntown, Ivy Kate Lee of Ingomar, and Oliver Lee of Ingomar.

Officiated by: Rev. Jay Carney

Assisting minister: Rev. Jeff Jones

Pallbearers: Newt Carlisle, Bubba Carlisle, Kurt Sanders, Dave Hicks, Nathan Lee, Mason Lee, and Seth Cayson

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 5. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McBride Funeral Home, Inc.
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<https://www.mcbridefuneralhome.com>

Visitation

JAN 6. 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

The Pentecostal Church
Hwy. 15
Blue Mountain, MS 38610

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Billie Ann Heard.* ”



January 05 at 11:36 AM



“ *Robbie & Teresa Windham, Windham Body Shop planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Billie Ann Heard.* ”

Robbie & Teresa Windham, Windham Body Shop - January 05 at 11:36 AM



“ *Billy & Myra Hill lit a candle in memory of Billie Ann Heard* ”



Billy & Myra Hill - January 04 at 08:22 PM



Prayers for the family 🙏

Billy & Myra Hill - January 04 at 08:23 PM



“ *Prayers for the family* ”



Joyce & Teresa Williams - January 04 at 01:40 PM